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U. S. EXPENSES ARE TOO HIGH

President and Cabinet Ponder Problem of Making Ends Meet

NEW IMPOSTS UNPOPULAR

Senators Much in Favor of Making Expenditure Fit Revenue

Washington, March 23.—At the longest cabinet meeting of the present administration, with a full membership attending, government finances were discussed in detail at the White House today. The discussion turned upon the subject of raising the revenues to replenish the treasury and provide against a further reduction, in the event that there is an actual reduction of revenue from the revised tariff bill. A decision as to what measures of taxation shall be adopted is apparently far off; there was no unanimity of opinion as to any of the propositions so far considered. As a matter of fact, the only proposition so far considered that has assumed definite form is that of an inheritance tax, and this method already has aroused a storm of protest from the states where such a tax already is levied to raise state revenues. The president and his advisers believe that some acceptable form of an indirect tax will be devised. Until it is, there will be much speculation and many conferences on the subject.

That a determined effort will be made to reduce public expenditures to such an extent that governmental needs may be met by revenues derived from duties on imports, and without resorting to any special taxation schemes that have been suggested in connection with tariff revision, is indicated by a remark made today by Senator Aldrich, chairman of the senate committee on finances, during the recess of the committee. Mr. Aldrich was asked to give his opinion of the plan recently introduced by President Taft to place a tax on dividends declared by corporations. Mr. Aldrich replied that he had not given thought to it, and added that he would not concern himself with any of the various plans to raise revenues by special taxes until it could be ascertained how much revenue could be produced by levying duties on imports, and whether the running expenses of the government could not be decreased so as to make special taxes unnecessary.

Great significance is attached to the remarks made by Mr. Aldrich. It is thought by a majority of the members of the finance committee regard with disfavor, the proposed inheritance tax feature, the proposed income tax, levies upon dividends of corporations, the tax on coffee and practically all forms of stamp taxes. It is recognized that in the form in which the Payne bill was reported to the House from the ways and means committee, sufficient revenue to pay the running expenses of the government, at least upon the present basis of annual appropriations, cannot be collected from duties on imports alone. The inference drawn from Mr. Aldrich's expression, therefore, is that the revision of the tariff must be of an upward trend, and that congress must curtail the tendency to expand the annual appropriations at each succeeding session of congress.

Some of the uses to which the senate committee on public expenditures will be put can be gathered in connection with the statement that an effort will be made to decrease the annual appropriations made by congress. It is expected that this committee will begin work at an early date, in spite of the fact that there will be none of the annual supply bills before them to be scanned and pruned. The committee will work in harmony with the finance committee and the various tariff experts employed by the committee considering tariff changes. It will be expected to report to the senate.

pected to procure information from the treasury department and to examine into the uses of the various special funds that have been created. Before the committee on finance completes its consideration of the tariff bill it is expected that the new budget committee will have suggested divers ways in which to cut down expenditures.

Murdered His Brother
North Bay, Ont., March 23.—Maurice Ryan was today found guilty of the murder of his brother, Francis Joseph Ryan, in the woods on or about November 13, 1907. The object of the murder was several hundred dollars which the victim had in his possession. The death sentence will be pronounced tomorrow by Judge Latchford.

Sheriff Refuses Aid.
Newark, N.J., March 23.—Sheriff Harriman of this county, today refused a request he had received from A. Berg & Company, the hat manufacturers, at whose plant in Orange a strike is in progress, asking for deputies to guard the men at work in his shop. The company alleged that its men have been attacked and intimidated while on their way to and from the shop, and that the Orange police are unable to cope with the situation. The sheriff in replying, said the local police could deal with the outbreak effectively.

C. P. R. Hotel Changes.
Vancouver, March 23.—Changes in the management of Canadian Pacific hotels in the west are scheduled to take place this year, and one of the earliest is at the Hotel Vancouver. Capt. Pym has resigned and will be succeeded by Charles Derouville, who has been for some years in charge of the Chateau Frontenac at Quebec. Mr. Derouville's successor at the Chateau is his assistant, Mr. Hutchinson. Mr. Derouville is expected to arrive in the city next week.

PUBLIC MONEY USED FOR POLITICAL WORK

Exposure of Piece of Jobbery Known as Aylesworth Ditch

Ottawa, March 23.—The House of Commons today discussed the Newmarket canal, or, as it is more commonly known in Ontario, the Aylesworth ditch. It was brought up when the house went into supply by Mr. Wallace of Centre York. Mr. Wallace stated that \$200,000 had already been spent on the project, and that the land to be reclaimed from the Illinois landing to Newmarket, and in his opinion it was absolutely wasted. Its purpose was entirely political. Where as the revenue was decreasing and the expenses increasing it was desirable that the work should be discontinued. He moved a resolution to the effect that the canal constituted a wanton misuse and waste of public money.

Mr. Graham said the country was committed to the construction of the canal, which he admitted had cost more to date than the original estimate. He thought the canal would be useful when finished.

Mr. Sharp pointed out that the obstacles to the success of the canal were that there was no water, and even if there was water there was no traffic. Mr. Wright thought the canal would be just as valuable dry as wet. If it was dry it might be utilized for some useful purpose.

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier taunted the opposition with digging up another scandal. The project was originated by Sir William Mulock, and he was sure that that gentleman was also recommending an undertaking for the purpose of boosting his political fortune. Even if a mistake had been made he did not think it would be wise for the government to discontinue the work after so much had been spent.

Mr. Borden declared the severest condemnation of the canal had come out of the mouths of the premier and two ministers. The expenditure could not be defended.

The House divided on the amendment of Mr. Wallace at 10 o'clock, the vote standing 112 to 71, a government majority of 41, after which the House went into supply.

Earlier in the day Mr. Fielding announced that the budget speech would be delayed for a few days. He had expected that the Grand Trunk resolution would have been disposed of this week, but some delay in securing the information required had necessitated its postponement. In consequence he had been compelled to delay the budget speech.

ASSISTANCE FOR IMPERIAL NAVY

New Zealand Enthusiastic Over Proposed Gift of Dreadnought

AUSTRALIA DEFENCE PLAN

The Sentiment in Eastern and Western Canada Favors Contribution

London, March 23.—The Earl of Crewe has expressed to Premier Ward his appreciation of New Zealand's offer of a battleship, which he communicated to the King, the premier and the admiralty. Premier Ward, interviewed at Wellington, said the cabinet was unanimous, and added that the burden upon the British nation for naval expenditure was enormous and every local subject must feel in a crisis like this that he was called upon to help the mother land by more than words. New Zealand was proud of her part proofs of loyalty, and stood today among the first in the British dominions for a ready and loyal response when the necessities of the empire called for it.

At a dinner in Sydney four citizens offered to contribute £35,000 if it was decided to present Britain with a Dreadnought by public subscription. The mayor of Melbourne has agreed to call a meeting to consider the suggestion. The English press warmly welcomes New Zealand's offer. The Daily Graphic says the whole question is how far the dominions can or ought to assist. This must be examined in the light of the new naval situation.

Australia's Stand.
Melbourne, March 23.—The Commonwealth government has decided not to offer a Dreadnought to England, preferring to adhere to her settled policy of detaching Australia. The ministers are generally reticent. Widespread enthusiasm prevails here over the navy question, and Dreadnought meetings are projected at numerous centres.

Conservatives at Ottawa.
Ottawa, March 23.—At a caucus of Conservative members and senators this morning the question of a contribution by Canada to the Imperial navy was discussed, and it is understood that the meeting was strongly favorable to the Dominion taking immediate action towards lending a helping hand to the mother country. It was decided to press the discussion of Mr. Foster's resolution, which in effect says Canada should no longer delay in assuming her proper share of the responsibility and financial burden incident to the suitable protection of her exposed coast line and great seaports. This motion has been on the order paper since the beginning of the session.

Sentiment in Toronto.
Toronto, March 23.—The sensational despatches regarding the British naval question were the sole topic of conversation on the street yesterday. A large number of leading business and professional men were asked what their views were as to what Canada should do as a contribution to national defence. Without exception the reply was that the Canadian government should make some proof of aid to the Imperial authorities. The general sentiment was that it would be a humiliation to every patriotic Canadian should they New Zealand outdo us at this crisis.

Action at Vancouver.
Vancouver, March 23.—The Vancouver board of trade will hold a meeting tomorrow to recommend that the Dominion government contribute a battleship of the Dreadnought class to the Imperial navy.

ANTHRACITE MINERS CONSIDERING PLANS

Observers Inclined to Believe That There Will Be No Strike

Seranton, Pa., March 23.—With the preliminary work of organizing the tri-district convention of the anthracite mine workers out of the way, and with the delegates ready to take up the question of a new agreement with their employers, the impression grows among those who are watching the developments in the hard coal fields that the mine workers will not call a strike unless something not on the surface develops.

The convention held its first session today, and it consumed the morning and afternoon hours in perfecting organization. There was no ill-feeling shown, and as little friction as could be expected where all delegates do not entirely understand the English language. National President Lewis presided, and in opening the convention made a brief speech, in which he appealed to the men to stand their ground to carry into effect any policy that may be decided upon in the convention.

Several committees were chosen, the most important of which was that appointed to define the policy of the anthracite mine workers. President Lewis was named as its head, other members being the officers and national board members of the three districts. This committee, it is expected, will bring before the convention, probably tomorrow, the plan to be followed in the further negotiations with the operators.

grant the men the demands they have presented. There was considerable talk among the delegates in favor of continuing work, and if the mines are closed by the operators on April 1 the miners say the public will hold the employers responsible.

The committee which had the conference with the coal operators in Philadelphia will make a report tomorrow morning.

COPPER TOO LOW

British Columbia Copper Company Closes Down Its Mines and Smelter

Phoenix, March 23.—The British Columbia Copper company will close its Mother Lode and Greenwood mines and the smelter at Greenwood on or before April 1. The following notice, signed by General Manager J. E. McAllister has been posted: "Notice is hereby given that owing to the unfavorable condition of the copper market the mines and smelter of the British Columbia Copper Company, Ltd., will close on or before April 1, 1909, for an indefinite period."

When interviewed today, Mr. McAllister stated that the close down was the result of the price of copper, and as the production of the metal was apparently exceeding the consumption the prospects for an early improvement were not bright. All orders have been cancelled, and during the next ten days the company will only operate to the extent of cleaning up the smelter of supplies on hand.

The closing of the British Columbia Copper company will throw some four hundred men out of work. The Greenwood Miners' union made a voluntary offer to the company to accept a ten per cent. reduction in wages, but the company has taken no action in the matter.

BALLOON ADVENTURE AMONG MOUNTAINS

Party Leaves Pasadena and Lands on Slope of Sierra Madre Range

Los Angeles, March 23.—After one of the most harrowing experiences in the history of ballooning, Capt. A. E. Mueller and five companions, who ascended in the racing balloon "America," at Pasadena on Saturday, landed in the Sierra Madre mountains on Saturday and arrived on foot at Switzer's camp on the slopes of Mount Wilson, unharmed today.

Many searchers had been scouring the mountains for the aeronauts. The men passed through a series of hardships, the details of which have not reached Los Angeles. Arriving at Switzer's camp this afternoon, they were provided with horses and began the descent of the mountain trail to Pasadena over a tortuous and slippery way. A single telephone wire across the mountains brought word of the arrival at the camp to relatives in Pasadena. The telephone then failed, and little information could be obtained until they reached Pasadena late tonight.

The balloon was in the air less than two hours. It was carried by a strong north wind over the mile-high summit of Mount Lowe, and swept across the intervening peaks and canyons to the lofty summit of Mount Gabriel. There ballast was thrown out and the balloon soared away toward Strawberry peak, in the third range. Crossing this at a low altitude, the balloon encountered a strong current of cold air, which brought it rapidly to earth at about 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The distance covered was less than fifteen miles in a direct line, but by any possible foot route it was many times that distance. The aeronauts wandered aimlessly over the mountains until 1.30 Sunday afternoon, when they unexpectedly came to Colby's ranch. In the meantime a terrific snowstorm had swept over the mountains, and for hours the men suffered from the cold. Monday afternoon, when the storm ceased, they immediately took up the snow-choked trail toward Pasadena, traveling through until this afternoon, when they reached Switzer's camp. A party of rescuers on horseback was there having just returned after a twenty hours' search for the missing men.

KOOTENAY MINE DEAL

Second Relief, at Erie, Bonded for a Large Sum to Syndicate of Wisconsin Men

Nelson, B.C., March 23.—The Second Relief mine, at Erie, B.C., bonded for \$140,000 by A. B. Cooper, of the Second Relief Gold Mining Co., yesterday to R. W. Allen, representing a syndicate of Wisconsin men, who will commence vigorous work immediately.

The property was located in 1897 and was worked for several years by Finch to the present owners three years ago. Since then the mine has been one of the most regular shippers in the Kootenays.

LOSS WILL TOTAL MANY THOUSANDS

Pemberton Block Destroyed, to Be Replaced By Fine Structure

INSURANCE ON PROPERTY

The Damage Amounts to Over \$100,000—Water Pressure Insufficient

Nothing but the charred and broken walls and timbers remains to mark the spot whereon was situated the \$70,000 brick block erected by the Pemberton estate, extending from Fort through to Broughton on Broad street.

In three hours yesterday morning the structure was utterly gutted and destroyed and with the exception of a small amount of useful material during the progress of the blaze the contents of the building are a total loss.

The aggregate loss will figure up to about \$100,000, pretty well covered by insurance. The heaviest losers are the Pemberton Estate, owners of the building, and the Pacific Club, the expensive furnishings of which, valued at \$15,000, was totally destroyed. On the club premises insurance to the amount of \$10,000 was carried.

Hardly had the flames been brought under full control when F. B. Pemberton was arranging for a new structure to take the place of the one lost. At 10 o'clock yesterday morning George Mesher & Co. was instructed to proceed with the removal of the debris and a modern, four-storey brick building will be erected on the site of the destroyed block. Work on the removal of the debris will commence just as soon as the smouldering flames are put out.

Unknown Origin
The origin of the fire is unknown, but when the brigade arrived at the scene at 3.10 o'clock in the morning in response to an alarm from Box 23, corner of Fort street and Government street, dense smoke was issuing from the second story windows on the Broad street side of the building, while the glare of flames could be seen through the windows of the office of Pemberton & Sons, on Fort street, and through the plumbing establishment of John

THE FIRMS AFFECTED
The following are the firms affected:
Fort street: P. M. Linklater, tailor; Latimer & Ney, real estate; Pemberton and Sons, real estate; Greer, Courtney & Stone, shipping agents; Mrs. L. S. Ringland, art milliner.
Broad street: H. M. Wilson, locksmith; The Royal Dairy; C. Tite, painter; John Colbert, plumber; Ambrose Matthews, barber.
Broughton street: E. M. Johnson, real estate.

Colbert, Broad street. A passer-by noticed the smoke issuing forth and turned in the alarm. The brigade was prompt in responding and the seat of the trouble was soon located in a space confined between the brick walls of the Colbert's premises, in the section used as the furnace room for the club.

Under the impression that some of the members or assistants of the club might be sleeping in the premises the main entrance on Broad street was burst in with axes and a number of firemen ascended the stairs only to be driven back by the dense clouds of black smoke which poured down the stairway.

It was utterly impossible for the brigade to get to work on the interior of the building and the fire had to be fought from the ground floor, a hose being run through the premises of John Colbert, while two others were run through the alleyway from Broughton street. The brick walls which separated the various downstairs premises rendered it difficult to get at the blaze, which could be heard roaring within, but finally, by gaining entrance through the premises occupied by Mrs. Clay, confectioner, two windows overlooking the space within which the flames were raging were found. An attempt was made to run a line of hose through the windows, but no sooner was the glass smashed than the smoke poured through the apertures and drove the firemen back.

Thought It Was Over

About half an hour after the alarm sounded it looked as if the fire was nearly under control. The signs of fire, to the spectators, appeared to have diminished and the smoke became less dense from the windows, but this is accounted for by the fact that in the meantime the flames had eaten their way into the club quarters and through the roof, thus causing an upward draft which sucked up the smoke. In fact some of the spectators had turned to leave the scene, but they had gone little over a block before the flames, with a roar, soared through the roof, the red light lighting up the neighboring buildings.

From that moment the building was doomed. The club premises was a seething mass of flames which, seemingly starting from the centre of the Broad street side, ate first toward the Broughton street end of the building, window after window lighting up as the flames within worked along, the glass bursting out with the intense heat and the fire springing out licked up the wooden trimmings.

Then the fire worked its way north, each successive window reflecting its progress until the whole side of the building on Broad street was a roaring furnace.

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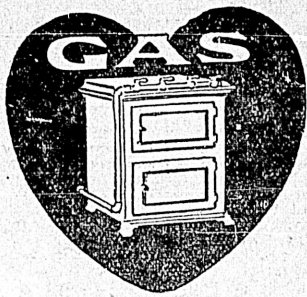
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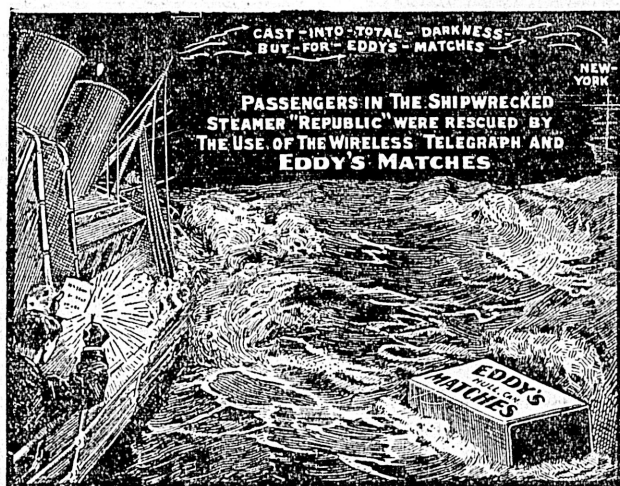
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Mr. Roosevelt Leaves

New York, March 23.—As a parting farewell, waving his black slouch hat, his smiling face beaming in the morning sun as he stood on the captain's bridge of the steamship Hamburg, ex-President Roosevelt sailed away today for his long-planned African "safari." He left his native shores amid the cheers of the thousands of persons that swarmed the Hamburg-American pier, the whistles of countless crafts and thunderous vibrations of an ex-president's salute of 13 guns from Forts Hamilton and Wadsworth.

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INTERCOLONIAL CLERKS

Board of Conciliation Severely Condemns Appointments Through Political Favor

Ottawa, March 23.—The board of conciliation which investigated the complaints of the intercolonial clerks at Halifax and St. John spoke out straight against political influences as they found them on that railway. The report was laid on the table of the House today by Mr. Lemieux. One paragraph of the report states: "The system that obtains of appointing from time to time new men at higher pay over the heads of men long in the service, and probably more capable of doing the work, is injurious to the service and unjust to the men. The remedy for this is re-organization and the abolition of the existing system of appointments influenced by political patronage, which from the point of efficiency working we find ample evidence to condemn as applied to the intercolonial railway. The present staff is too large and the pay too small."

Canada Company's Report.

London, March 23.—The report of the Canada company states that the collections credited to revenue and land realization accounts last year aggregated \$23,188. Land prices averaged \$13.35 per acre.

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SOUTH POLE NEARLY REACHED BY BRITISH

Lieutenant Shackleton Returns to New Zealand With His Expedition

London, March 23.—Information has reached London, according to the Pall Mall Gazette, that the Antarctic expedition under Lieut. Ernest H. Shackleton, of the British navy, which left England in July, 1907, reached the South pole.



Lieut. Shackleton going on board the Nimrod, when about to start for the South Pole.

Another cablegram received from the firm which outfitted the Nimrod says: "Achieved object. Proceeding to Lyttelton. Will wire particulars Thursday."

The fact that no specific mention is made of having reached the south pole is interpreted as possibly meaning that the achievement has been to penetrate further than any previous expedition. Still another despatch says the expedition got within about 100 miles of the pole.

Refuses to Talk.

Invercargill, N.Z., March 23.—The barkentine Nimrod, which early in 1908 took Lieut. E. H. Shackleton's Antarctic expedition to the south, called here today on her return. Lieut. Shackleton declined to make any statement regarding his explorations. The Nimrod later left for Lyttelton, the port of Christchurch, N.Z.

The Nimrod expedition to the south pole left England in July, 1907, after Queen Alexandra had given the vessel a flag and King Edward had bestowed the Victoria Order on Lieut. Shackleton, of the British navy, leader of the party, who made a trip to the Antarctic regions in 1902-03, as a member of the Discovery expedition under Capt. K. T. Scott. The Nimrod carried a motor sledge for the use of the explorers and a number of Siberian ponies and dogs. The crew numbered 32 men all told, including several scientists, and had provisions for two years after leaving New Zealand. The landing party was to consist of twelve men.

The Nimrod left the party in camp at the foot of Mount Erebus, a point which was reached with considerable difficulty, on account of the ice and snow left New Zealand last December to bring the expedition home.

Christchurch, N.Z., March 23.—Newspaper correspondents were not allowed to board the steamer Nimrod, bearing the Shackleton expedition, when she put into Invercargill today. A number of the crew were questioned, but they declined to discuss the expedition. Their greatest interest was to learn who had won the Burns-Johnson fight in Australia.

Later Report.

London, March 24.—The polar regions are gradually yielding up their secrets to human perseverance and determination. Ernest H. Shackleton, of the British navy, who left his permanent quarters last autumn for a dash to the pole, succeeded, after an arduous sledge journey of 1,708 miles, which occupied 126 days, in reaching within 111 miles of the south pole, or 354 miles nearer than that attained by the Discovery expedition, of which he was an officer. As the exploration to the south was taken rather for the purpose of geological survey than with the idea of reaching the pole itself, it may be said to have succeeded beyond the most sanguine expectations.

Coal-Steel Dispute.

Toronto, March 23.—President Plummer, of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co., says he has declined the offer of the Dominion Coal Co. to pay \$2,500,000 on account, leaving disputed items to a referee.

Company Wound Up

Toronto, March 23.—By an order issued by Chief Justice Falconbridge this morning, the St. Catherine Mineral Springs and Sanitarium Co., Ltd., is to be wound up. The petitioner is the Sovereign Bank of Canada, a creditor to the amount of \$30,000. The Trust and Guarantee Co., Toronto, was appointed liquidators. The company was incorporated in 1892 with a capital of \$100,000.

Nova Scotia Finances.

Halifax, March 23.—Premier Murray brought down the financial returns in the legislature yesterday afternoon. The treasurer's report shows a surplus of \$158,707, but the premier says that deducting from this amount the appropriation for road services unpaid on Sept. 30, but executed within the fiscal year, the actual surplus over expenditure is \$86,589.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Closs, who has been on a visit of several weeks duration to Spokane, has returned to her home on Yates street.

Miss Mary Burton and Mrs. A. French, from Calgary, are visiting with friends in town and expect to stay here for a few weeks.

The Theatre last night presented an exceedingly bright appearance, when a fashionable audience assembled for the last concert of the Victoria Musical society for the present season, to hear Miss Marie Hall, the famous violinist. A large number of well known people in Victoria society were present.

WILL PLAY SENIOR AMATEUR LACROSSE

Question Finally Settled at a Meeting of Victoria Club Last Night

Victoria will have a senior amateur lacrosse team this year. This was settled "finally and unalterably" at a meeting of the executive of the local club held last evening at the Sweeney-McConnell sporting goods stores, Douglas street.

Foster McGurn, the president, was in the chair. J. Sweeney acted as secretary. Among those present were: Skene Lowe, Leo Sweeney, Duncan Campbell and A. E. Sargison. The professional issue wasn't debated. It was introduced but the chairman quickly ruled it out of order. He contended that the time hadn't arrived to take up the question. Possibly it would be discussed at the forthcoming annual meeting of the B.C.A.L.A. He thought, and those in attendance quietly concurred in the opinion, that until that body decided differently Victoria should steadfastly maintain her position as an amateur lacrosse centre. Nothing more was said.

The appointment of a committee on play was among the most important business transacted. The step, it was believed, would result in a better selection of men for league matches than heretofore. Those chosen would have to attend all practices. They would have to pledge themselves to keep in close touch with all the aspirants for senior honors. On this understanding the following were appointed: Skene Lowe, A. McDonald and Duncan Campbell.

Fifteen new paid-up members were elected.

D. Campbell was chosen to represent the Victoria club at the B.C.A.L.A. annual meeting which takes place at Vancouver next Saturday. He will be entrusted with the proxies of other delegates and will be handed full instructions as to the attitude this city wishes to take on all the important questions likely to be considered.

Charles Mason's resignation as secretary was received and accepted with regret.

Another meeting of the executive will take place next Tuesday evening and will be submitted from Mr. Campbell.

The meeting adjourned.

FIVE MILE TRACK RACE ANNOUNCED

J. B. A. A. Members Will Run For Silver Cup Good Friday

A five mile track race, in which will compete ten or twelve J.B.A.A. members, and a baseball match, between Victoria and James Bay teams, are attractions that are down for Good Friday afternoon at the Oak Bay grounds. The details in connection with the

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proposed ball game haven't been decided but the arrangements for the run are well in hand. It promises to be among the best that Victorians have witnessed since the Marathon fever has obtained a grip on the popular fancy. The winner will receive a beautiful silver cup; presented by the club management.

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FOREIGN TRADE

In 1908 Great Britain imported \$16,119,538 of wood pulp and \$19,066,674 of paper. Mexico imported \$2,153,893; China \$2,630,661; Japan \$3,339,609; Australia and New Zealand \$3,634,721; United States \$3,321,426. In the twelve months ending March 31, 1908, Canada exported to Australia, New Zealand, Japan and the United States wood pulp and paper to the amount of \$11,526,758. Under date of June 1, 1908, Consul-General Robert J. Wynne, of the United States, in a special report on the wood pulp and paper market of Great Britain estimated the annual consumption of newspaper in Great Britain at over half a million tons and pointed out that owing to the increased cost of wood pulp there had been a general advance of 25 per cent. in the price of newspaper during the past year. News is now jobbing in England at \$50 to \$55 per ton; Australia \$52 to \$56 per ton; Japan and China \$50 to \$60 per ton. We are able to secure a freight rate to Australia, Japan and China at \$3 to \$5 per ton, and the cost of manufacture will not exceed \$30 to \$32 per ton. It is only a question of time before the entire trade of the Orient will be controlled from British Columbia. In what manner could the mills of Ontario or Quebec hope to ship pulp and paper to Japan, China, Australia and the Orient at a freight rate of from \$12 to \$14 per ton against a \$3 to \$5 rate from British Columbia. Our magnificent timber limits comprising almost 100 square miles which have been acquired by this company at Quatsino Sound, northern part of Vancouver Island, place us in the foremost ranks of the leading pulp and paper mills of the world, and enable us to turn out news and wrapping paper from \$2 to \$8 per ton cheaper than the American or Canadian mills.

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CITY INJUNCTION CASE

The injunction case of the city against the B. C. Electric regarding the right of the latter to lay rails across the sidewalks of the city without permission did not come up yesterday as had been expected. Mr. Justice Irving took chambers but as he was engaged in a damage action he was not able to hear a matter which, according to the city barrister, might last a couple of days. The chief justice had left the night before for Vancouver, and there was no other judge available.

As a result the matter was allowed to stand over till a judge could be secured. E. V. Bodwell, K. C., appeared for the tramway company.

Suspected of Theft.
Charles Woodruff, a resident of the Sooke district, will come up for trial this afternoon at the police court on a charge of stealing a quantity of powder the property of the government. Woodruff was suspected by the provincial police but was merely summoned to appear for trial. The powder, part of the explosive used in making a government road in the Sooke district, was stolen along with other material. These petty thefts have been continuing for some time and the police authorities have been endeavoring to locate the guilty parties. Suspicion was directed towards Woodruff, who must now stand his trial.

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ing furnace. In the meantime the downstairs premises were comparatively untouched and there was ample opportunity for the proprietors to remove their property. Many willing hands assisted in the work of rescue, and in short order the opposite sides of the street were piled high with a miscellaneous collection of barber chairs, baths, office fixtures, counters, account books, plumbers' tools, desks and other objects, the whole mixed together with no attempt at arrangement.

Whole Brigade at Work.

When the seriousness of the blaze was first realized a second alarm was sent in and every piece of fire fighting apparatus was brought from outside halls, while Chief of Police Langley, who was early on the scene, sent the patrol wagon around and called out half a dozen members of the force in addition to those on the night beat. With the aid of the police the crowd, which by this time had assumed large proportions, was kept back and the firemen given every opportunity. Chief Langley and his men rendered excellent service throughout.

Two streams from the John Grant engine at the corner of Broughton and

city for a great distance brought out large crowds in which the women played a prominent part, some of them along with them their pet poodles. The crowd seemed loth to leave the scene of excitement, and it was well after six o'clock before the spectators commenced to wend their way homewards.

When he saw the magnitude of the fire, Chief Watson telephoned the pumping station and extra pressure was put on, but with the exception of the streams from the Merryweather engine which worked exceedingly well throughout at a pressure of 120 pounds, the other streams were more or less of a disappointment, the pressure on the mains standing at about 45 pounds, the pressure being greatly reduced by the number of the streams and the water used by the engine.

All day yesterday a large crowd of people who had blissfully slept through the excitement, viewed the ruins. On the order of Building Inspector Northcott railings were erected around the block at a good distance in order to protect the public from possible danger from falling walls, and on the Fort street side of the ruined block props were erected to strengthen the shaken walls.

Hard to Get at.

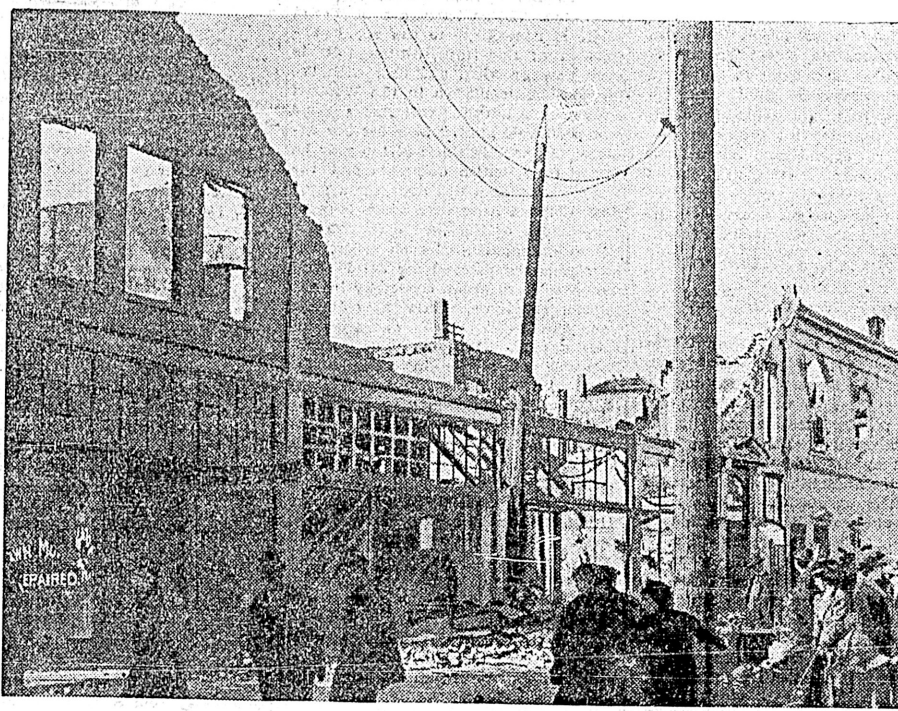
The fire was without doubt one of the fiercest with which the local brigade has had to contend. Chief Watson stated yesterday that when he

ESTIMATE OF LOSS AND THE INSURANCE

The loss in all was about \$110,000, of which about \$70,000 will be covered by insurance, the losses being spread over a number of companies. The biggest is that of the Pemberton estate, owners of the building, the value of which was estimated at \$75,000. The insurance carried was \$55,000, held by the Sun Fire Insurance company, North British Mercantile company, Scottish Union National company, all British firms and the Home Insurance company of New York. The section of the building fronting on Fort street and Broad to the entrance of the Pacific club was constructed about twenty years ago by the late J. D. Pemberton, and the part of the building extending from the wall of this to Broughton street was built not much over a year ago at a cost of about \$40,000. Formerly a stamp mill and concentrator for treating ore was located there.

The Pacific Club

The Pacific club, which was considered one of the finest on the coast, was luxuriously fitted up. The spacious billiard room held five tables and the reading, lounging and other rooms



The Pemberton Block Fire—View from the Corner of Broughton and Broad Street at 4.30 p.m. Yesterday

Government streets, as well as six hydrant streams were in play while sometime after the fire commenced the little engine, the "Deluge," was brought into play, pumping from the corner of Fort street and Douglas street.

The firemen could do nothing, after the fire had secured complete control of the building, but fight the flames from the street and endeavor to save the adjoining buildings to the east. Streams of water were kept playing on the roofs of these structures and proved successful in preventing a spread. The sparks poured across Broughton street over the Victoria transfer company's building, but employees of the company assisted by volunteer helpers prevented any danger of that fine structure taking fire. A hose keeping the roof wet and also aiding in quenching the sparks which alighted upon the premises of Thomas Cusack, to the south of the stables. At

arrived on the scene the flames could be heard roaring within, about the centre of the building, but owing to the brick walls it was almost an impossibility to get a satisfactory vantage ground from whence to play the water. A rumor was in circulation yesterday to the effect that a first alarm had been sent in shortly after one o'clock and that the brigade after responding returned to the hall to be called out again at 3.10 o'clock. Chief Watson emphatically denied this rumor. The brigade was not called out to any alarm until the alarm from box 23 was rung in at 3.10 o'clock. He repeatedly entered various parts of the premises in the hope of securing a better locality from which to fight the fire, but in every instance the firemen were simply forced to retire, the heat and the intense smoke rendering it absolutely impossible to remain anywhere within the building except for a short time in the alleyway running off Broughton street and at the rear of Colbert's plumbing establishment, and these points had to be abandoned when the flames secured hold on the whole centre of the block. Chief Watson and

were splendidly furnished. The collection of mounted heads, including elk, caribou, mountain sheep, etc., was considered one of the finest extant. The loss as a result of the destruction of the club premises is estimated at \$15,000, of which \$10,000 is covered by insurance, held by ten companies. It is divided as follows: Queen's, agents, R. P. Rithet & Co., \$1,000; New York Fire Underwriters, agents, J. Kingham, \$1,000; Connecticut Insurance company, agents, Swinerton & Oddy, \$1,000; Union Assurance company, agents, E. M. Johnson, \$500; Heisterman & Co.'s Agency, \$500; Liverpool, London and Globe Insurance company, agents, Hall & Goepel, \$1,000; German Alliance, agents, Greer, Courtney and Skene company, \$1,000; Phoenix Insurance company, agent, Arthur Coles, \$1,000; Duck & Johnson's agency, \$1,000, and Leeming Bros. agency, \$1,000.

John Colbert

John Colbert, plumber, lost plant and stock valued at \$8,000 and had insurance amounting to \$2,500. Included in the plant of Mr. Colbert

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were several large pipe-cutting machines, one of which cut pipe up to seven inches in diameter. It had been the intention to erect a shop on Kane street on property secured by him. A temporary bench was erected at the Kane street property yesterday where the workmen were to work. About twenty-five men went to work. About twenty-five men

C. H. Tite & Co.

C. H. Tite & Co., painters, lost a stock of paints, wallpaper, burlap, etc., valued at \$6,000, and had insurance of \$2,000. The company had just completed the painting of the burned building the day previous to the fire. About fifteen men are employed and it is expected these men will be kept at work. The company will complete the contracts it has on hand, involving work between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

The Royal Dairy

The Royal Dairy, of McAllister and Lamphere, who had a considerable business in cream and dairy produce, lost \$4,000 and had insurance amount-

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Willing helpers were on hand to assist in removing the contents of the offices. One heavy ex-lacrosse player was seen emerging from the premises of E. M. Johnson groaning beneath the weight of a massive desk, and behind him came the owner cheerfully carrying a small wall map of the weight, perhaps, of as much as one whole pound.

ing to \$1,750. This firm has temporarily located at Copas & Young's grocery, where the retail business is being attended to. A large new churn was installed shortly prior to the fire, in addition to the other equipment.

Other Losses

Other losses were those of the Greer, Courtney and Skene company, ship brokers, real estate and insurance agents, etc., whose losses were about \$300, in office fixtures, covered by insurance in the German Alliance Insurance company, of which the firm holds the agency. The company has opened temporary offices with R. E. Brett at 563 Yates street. Mrs. Clay had much of her stock damaged by smoke and water. The loss will be about \$1,000 which is covered by insurance. Many willing hands aided in taking the show cases and stock from the store. Mrs. Ringland, of the art millinery, linen and fancy goods store lost goods valued at \$500. A. Matthews, of the Club barber shop, lost effects and stock valued at \$200 with no insurance. P. M. Linklater, tailor, saved the greater portion of his stock and effects, his losses being

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Forty Years Ago
The British Colonist, Wednesday, March 24, 1869.

Diocesan Church Society—Yesterday a meeting of the committee of the Diocesan Church society was held at Anglica College. His Lordship, the Bishop of Columbia, presided. The following gentlemen were present: The Chief Justice, Very Reverend Dean Cridge, Rev. E. Hayman, Hon. Attorney-General Crease, Capt. Milt. R. N., S. J. Sparks, R. N. Drake, W. Grebbel, Burnaby, McCleight, Pinlayson, R. Robertson, Macdonald and Alston. Several measures affecting the work in the diocese were discussed with a view to putting them in satisfactory shape before the Bishop leaves for England, which, we understand, he intends to do at an early date.

Cowichan Catholic Mission—The Catholic Mission at Cowichan is progressing very favorably. A large number of young girls are regular attendants at the mission schools, which is under the control of the Sisters of St. Ann, and have made astonishing progress during the past year. It is the intention of the Sisters we understand, to bring a number of these pupils to Victoria in June, when the annual examinations of the scholars of the St. Ann academy will be held.

Mr. A. F. Main yesterday sold the brig Byzantium for \$2,880, to Mr. J. Robertson Stewart. The brig was built in 1844, and is considered a staunch vessel.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Some idea of the wonderful progress of the German navy is gained, says the Globe, when one realizes that Vice-Admiral Behnhold von Werner, whose death is announced at the age of eighty-four, saw practically the birth of that navy, as we now know it. When the German fleet was sold by auction in 1857 Werner secured a commission in the new Prussian navy, and during the war with Denmark he commanded one of the three steam frigates, then the principal ships of the Prussian navy. At the date of the formation of the Federal Navy Werner was director of dockyards at Danzig.

In 1869, however, the deceased Vice-Admiral returned to active service, and at the time of his retirement in 1878 he held the command of the Baltic station. He devoted the last thirty years of his life to the patriotic task of popularizing the idea of that sea power which he had seen grow from insignificant proportions to a strength which has done much to stimulate the shipbuilding of other nations. He was a prolific writer, and his authorship extended over a long period. Even at the time of the battle of Jasmund he attracted attention by a work on the Prussian navy; its present and its future.

The most costly wardrobe in the world being without doubt to the Pope. Such is the offer of an American contemporary. The Pope's little challenge of the finest silk, while his embroidered slippers of velvet, the writer declares, are gorgeous to look at. Still more costly are his gloves, made of white wool, embroidered with fine pearls in the shape of a cross. A special herd of fifty sheep is kept from which all the papal woolen garments are manufactured. The supplies are of the most valuable and beautiful lace, while one long cape, the "cappa magna," which is rarely worn, hangs straight from the shoulders, and literally gleams from top to bottom with gold and precious stones.

BRITISH OPINION

The Daily Telegraph says: Now that the debate on the address has been concluded, the real business of the Session begins. The discussions of the last ten days have shown that the government is satisfied with their own performance and with the general political situation. They are satisfied with the anarchy prevailing over a considerable portion of Ireland, and with the statesman who pledged his word that, come what may, he will never take up any instrument of coercion. If things are not altogether as they would like them to be in other particulars they follow the example of the man with the dirty shirt, who turned it inside out, and then spoke of the comfort of clean linen. Their troubles will begin today, and appropriately enough, on the question of finance. There are certain supplementary estimates that have to be dealt with, and chief among them is a sum of £910,000 towards the expenditure on old-age pensions. Surely there could not be a stronger condemnation of the reckless manner in which the government dealt with the question of old-age pensions last year than the fact that they have to ask for a supplementary credit of nearly a million in respect of the first three months' cost of their pension scheme. No doubt we shall be told that any estimates were bound to be quite problematical because of the insufficient data at the disposal of the calculators, but it is difficult to believe that if no question of political consideration had entered into the matter the advisers of the government would now be convicted of so glaring an under estimate.

At a time of critical international relations (writes the Standard), the First Lord sends to sea a fleet of twenty-five ships, the most efficient squadron of half its size could sink or destroy, and the pitiable state of disorganization and weakness to which the British Fleet has been reduced is advertised to the world. It can hardly be that the Prime Minister is aware of the true character of the First Lord's extraordinary indiscretion, and we can but express an earnest hope that when the facts are made public Mr. Asquith will take steps to avert what might prove to be disastrous consequences. It is hardly necessary to point out that the responsibility for Mr. McKenna's policy at the Admiralty is shared by all the members of the Cabinet. We observe that those who oppose any increase in the navy estimates have entangled themselves in meaningless statistics. Mr. Byles, for instance, speaking of the magnificent of the National Liberal Federation on Friday, declared that the British navy was three times as big as the German navy. It is hard to find in such a statement any common basis for discussion. As it stands it means nothing. No calculation of relative strengths which is not founded upon strategical and tactical considerations has any value whatever. If Mr. Byles desires to see the British Fleet First Lord has actually provided for the defence of the heart of the empire, let him go down to the mouth of the Thames and reckon it up for himself.

UNION ABSORBING TOPIC IN TRANSVAAL
General Feeling in South African State Favors the Consolidation

Cape Town, March 23.—During the last five months union has been the absorbing public topic in South Africa. The Convention opened in October with high hopes, no unmingled with apprehensions, and though some apprehensions remain regarding the result of its labours, it is safe to affirm that the hopes have been more than realized. Few of the delegates thought the Convention likely to be an affair of more than two months at most. The more fact that these representatives of the five South African States felt it worth their while to give their time to producing a scheme so compact, so comprehensive, and so carefully thought out, is one of the best indications that union is no visionary idea of a few enthusiasts, but the fixed aim of the best political thought in South Africa.

If nothing else had been achieved, the four months of constant intercourse between the Ministerial and Opposition leaders of the various States would have accomplished more than has ever before been done to remove misconceptions and create sympathy among the different States. Coming as they did with very different ideals and policies, the delegates, if they have not abandoned their own predilections, have often come to realize the strength and reasonableness of those held by others. Even on the difficult question of the capital, which threatened at the last moment to estrange friends and embitter discussion, the compromise finally attained shows that all parties to the controversy have learned that there was more in their opponents' case than they were at first disposed to believe.

Particularist Feeling

Perhaps of all the causes of difference which existed before the Convention the strongest is still the particularist feeling of the States, but that is not likely to be permanent if the Constitution is adopted, while its strength is tested to obliterate the more sectional racial differences. When men like General Botha, Sir George Farrar, Dr. Jameson, Mr. Sauer, General Hertzog, and Mr. Broune have found themselves fighting shoulder to shoulder for a common interest, they and their supporters will find it difficult to fight on the old battleground of racial distrust. Racism, in a sense, is not dead, nor will it ever die, any more than French and English racialism is dead in Canada; but one can hardly believe that, after the Convention, racialism will ever be the dividing ground of political parties or more than a spur to equally worthy, though differing ideals of life. There are not wanting signs, apart from the Convention, that co-operation has been fostered in some degree by Sir Victor Riban's Union, and the railway returns show that the Inter-State carriage of South African products is increasing. The need of taking common measures of self-defence is beginning to come home to South Africans, and the question of racial distrust has occupied more attention than in the past. Nor does the awakening of South African nationalism indicate any weakening in loyalty to the Empire. The other day one of England's sturdiest adversaries in the field, still a dogged Dutchman, was saying not merely that the grant of responsible government had helped to eradicate the bitterness caused by the war, but that even more had been accomplished by the open-handed invitation extended to the Dutch by Great Britain to share in great Imperial responsibilities. The chief grumbles against England come from some English who are disappointed in not obtaining what they thought was their just share of power in South Africa.

Cavillers sometimes say, because little was heard during the Convention of the natives, who form the largest part of the population of South Africa, that their interests have been neglected. This is not so. First, one of the chief inducements to union has been the feeling that a wiser, more consistent, and more deliberate native administration would be possible under one central Parliament than with a multiplicity of counsels. Secondly, the existing privileges of the natives are preserved and entrenched as never before, and there is no danger that their interests are likely to be neglected.

Favored Constitution

Premier Merriman's speech in Cape Town a few days ago may be said to have consolidated opinion in the Cape peninsula in favor of the acceptance of the Constitution, and it has provided the opportunity for a good deal of discussion both on the platform and in the press. On the same night Sir George Farrar explained the provisions of the Constitution to an audience composed principally of working miners in his own constituency, Boksburg, who carried a vote of confidence in

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the work of the Convention by an overwhelming majority. Mr. Moor, at a meeting at Pietermaritzburg at the same time, met with a less satisfactory reception. A resolution was passed condemning "the unseemly haste with which the Constitution is being forced on the country," and calling on the Government to dissolve Parliament. At Durban, where the Premier of Natal has since delivered a second speech, the opinion of the meeting was fairly evenly divided between those for and those against the Constitution. General Botha and Mr. Smuts took the field together in Pretoria and had an enthusiastic welcome from an enormous gathering. The people filled the Opera House and stood in hundreds in the street outside. No resolution was put, but there was no doubt whatever about the whole-hearted support given to them by their audience. Mr. Fischer addressed his constituents at Bethlehem, and added thus a fourth Prime Minister to the orators of the week. Here there was another numerous unanimous vote of confidence. In addition to these gatherings, innumerable smaller meetings, in support of the Constitution were held in every quarter of the country. Practically every delegate must have rendered an account of his stewardship at the Convention by this time, and a large number of private members have obtained a mandate from their constituents to vote for the Act of Union when it comes before Parliament. The net result of all this activity is a very palpable weakening of the Opposition, whose diversity of view is, perhaps, the best testimony to the success of the Convention. Mr. Hofmeyer's demonstration in Cape Town did not meet with any response from the other branches of the Bond, which at one time would have answered his call as one man. On the contrary, several country branches, including such strongholds of the Bond as Stellenbosch and Burgersdorp, have expressly disowned his views. Mr. Hofmeyer may realize before he finally commits himself that in this matter of National Union he has backed the wrong horse, but it is impossible to suppose that he will ever again be an effective factor in South African politics.

Cape is Reluctant

Such reluctance to accept the Constitution as still remains at the Cape has its origin in a nervous anxiety about the colored vote—an anxiety which has been revived by some not altogether judicious speeches in the Transvaal. In the Transvaal the boot is on the other foot. A considerable body of opinion is operatively concerned to prevent the future application of the colored franchise to the whole country. One or two prominent men, notably Sir Aubrey Wools-Sampson, are opposing the Act of Union on this ground. The Opposition party here, however, are concentrating their efforts chiefly on a vague demand for a referendum, which, if the best answer is obviously that it is not required. General Botha told his audience with uncompromising frankness that he was opposed to the referendum, and could not consent to it. The only note of dissent in the Orange River Colony comes from Bloemfontein, where there is still a faint clamor for further pickings. Natal remains a real danger point. But there are obvious signs that she is rapidly changing her mind. People in Durban particularly are beginning to realize the political and economic advantages of a scheme which offers a great relative increase in representation and a referendum proportionate to the traffic for their port. The country constituents on the whole view the change with acquiescence.

Addressing a mass meeting at Pretoria General Botha vigorously defended the work of the National Convention. He warned his hearers of the danger of rejecting the Constitution, declaring that the only alternative was disunion, which might involve bloodshed or the intervention of the Imperial Government. They who had suffered in the past did not want to revert to such a condition of strife. He appealed to the people to be not "Little Transvaalers" but "Great South Africans," to grasp the hands of friendship over the graves of the dead, and to make one happy, united country. Taken in its entirety the Constitution is a fine piece of work. It is perhaps the best ever drawn up in writing, and men generally are gradually realizing this. It is likely to be accepted very much as it stands.

NATIONALIST PARTY

Trustees of Fund Declare Cause Has Been Substantially Advanced

Dublin, March 23.—The trustees of the Nationalist Parliamentary fund, Bishop O'Donnell of Raphoe, Mr. John Redmond, and Mr. John Fitz-Gibbon, have issued a more than usually urgent appeal to the Irish people. "For material support for the maintenance of a pledge-bound and united Irish party in the House of Commons." Reviewing the work of the Nationalist party during the past twelve months, the trustees declare that the Nationalist cause has been advanced in a decided and substantial manner. "For the first time since 1892 the whole British Liberal party has been pledged afresh to a full measure of Home Rule, and the subject has been assured a position of prominence before the British electorate." The universal question has been settled. As the Irish Housing Act has been passed, the government has been persuaded to produce a Land Bill which, if amended in certain important particulars, will have been purchased and, finally, the party claims a large share of the credit for the passing of the Old Age Pension Act. "The trustees manifestly point out that the work of the present session will be of unusual importance, and it appeals for subscriptions 'large enough to draw the clamor of the enemies of the party.' The trustees are confident that the 'secret and insidious influences' which have been exerted to 'close up the fountain of popular support' will be found to have been employed in vain.

WILLIE WHITLA RETURNS

Father Recovers Lost Boy By Accepting Terms Offered By His Kidnappers

Cleveland, Ohio, March 23.—Little Willie Whitla, who has caused his parents great anxiety and the police of the entire country worry since he was kidnapped from school in Sharon, Pa., last Thursday, was returned to his father at the Hollenden hotel here tonight at 8.30 in compliance with an agreement entered into by the boy's father and an agent of the kidnappers here today, the boy was placed on a street car on the outskirts of the city and started to the hotel shortly after eight o'clock. Willie is in good health. He says that he has been well treated, and ever since his capture has been contented indoors. He believes he was taken from Sharon to Warren and thence to

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Newcastle, Pa. It was his opinion, expressed in a happy schoolboy way, that he was in Ashtabula on Saturday night at the time his father was to leave the \$10,000 in Flatiron park. Mr. Whitla refused to say whether he had paid the ransom or not. He said that he received a letter today from the kidnappers at his home in Sharon, saying that if he called at a confectionery store in the east end of Cleveland he would be told how to secure his boy, unharmed and well fed. Shortly after noon he left Sharon for Cleveland. He was unaccompanied. His immediate family and the private detectives he had in his employ had been apprised by him of the proposed secret meeting, but he insisted that he must make the trip alone and unheralded, and that no attempt at the capture of the kidnappers must be made then. Mr. Whitla was certain that if he spoiled the plans of his son's captors then he would never see the lad again. His experience at Ashtabula served as a warning.

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To Inspect German Fleet
Berlin, March 23.—The German ministry of marine has made arrangements for sixty or seventy members of the Reichstag to inspect the High Sea fleet after the Reichstag begins its summer recess in May. The German Government, which makes similar arrangements every year, adopts this plan for the purpose of stimulating enthusiasm for the fleet among the members of the Reichstag. The propaganda has been extremely successful, all parliamentary deputies who have enjoyed such trips having returned to Berlin as enthusiastic supporters of the policy of naval expansion.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

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A building permit was yesterday taken out by Kendrick Sharpe, who will erect a residence on a "Trutch" street at a cost of \$3,000.

Card Social.
Columbia Lodge No. 1, O. O. F., after a short business meeting this evening will devote the remainder of the session to progressive five hundred, for members of the order and their lady friends. Refreshments will be served.

Knights of Pythias.
Victoria Lodge No. 17, K. of P., will hold their last social of the session on Thursday evening. All members are entitled to bring a friend. The session opens at 7.30 o'clock. Friends are admitted at \$3.00. An excellent programme is being arranged.

Organ Improvements Completed.
The additions and improvements to the organ in Christ church cathedral will be completed during the coming week. A few of the new stops which all belong to the softer keys, have already been used in the services of the cathedral.

Concerning Juvenile Delinquents.
Dr. Ernest Hall will discuss the proper methods which should be adopted in the treatment of juvenile delinquents, before the members of the Metropolitan Brotherhood in the Metropolitan church lecture room at 8 o'clock this evening. This is exclusively a men's meeting, and a cordial invitation is extended to all men in the city who are interested in this important issue to attend this conference.

Entertainment Successful.
Mrs. W. A. Gleason's entertainment in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium was successful. She was heartily applauded in her favorite selections, Van Dyke's Last Word, and Pat Parla, an incident of the American Civil war, and was ably assisted by Miss Ella Cocker, who was twice encored; W. D. Kincaid, and F. Waddington, Mr. Jesse Longfield playing the violin obligato.

Development League to Meet.
At a special meeting of the Victoria Development league held yesterday afternoon, the president, Mr. Simon Leiser, in the chair, it was after some discussion decided to call a meeting of the subscribers to the general fund of the league at the board of trade rooms at 4 o'clock tomorrow, Thursday, afternoon, when it is earnestly hoped that every subscriber who can possibly make it suit his convenience to be present will attend, as matters of importance will be submitted.

Lenten Services
Special Lenten services today (Wednesday) Christ church cathedral: Matins and Litany at 11 a.m., and Even-song at 5 p.m.
At St. James church: Morning prayer at 10 o'clock, and Even-song, with an address by the rector, the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, at 7.45 o'clock this evening.
At St. Barnabas church, at 7.30 o'clock this evening: Lantern service, with an address by the rector, the Rev. E. G. Miller.
St. Saviour's church: Litany at 11 a.m. this (Wednesday) morning.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Mellin.
The funeral of Mrs. Isabelle Mellin took place at two o'clock yesterday afternoon from the family residence at Duncan, and at three o'clock from St. Peter's church, the rector, the Rev. J. A. Leakey, assisted by the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven officiating.
The attendance of relatives and friends was very large, and the casket was quite concealed beneath the abundance of floral offerings. The pallbearers were: Messrs. G. H. Haddwen, L. Knox, F. Leather, A. R. Wilson, L. Crease and J. Musgrave.

Smith.
The funeral of the late Chas. H. Smith, who was well known in this city, took place at Comox on Friday last. The Rev. Mr. Wilman conducted the service, and six of the deceased's former school fellows acted as pallbearers. Some three years ago, while attending the Philadelphia Dental college, Dr. Smith contracted typhoid and pneumonia from the effects of which he never recovered, but succumbed on Tuesday last after a long protracted illness.

Porter.
The remains of Mrs. Alice Maude Porter will be forwarded by this morning's train by the B.C.F.P. company to Cobble Hill, where the interment will take place this Wednesday afternoon.

Foot.
The funeral of Leonard Foot took place at 2.45 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the B. C. Parlors on Government street, and at 3 o'clock at Christ Church Cathedral where the service was conducted by the Right Rev. Bishop Perrin, the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet attending at the graveside. The attendance of relatives and friends of the family was large and the casket was covered with wreaths of beautiful flowers. The pallbearers were Messrs. W. A. Newcombe, H. H. King, H. M. Finlayson, C. F. Davie, H. Crane and C. C. Pemberton.

Hopper.
The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Hopper, the beloved wife of Mr. John Thomas Hopper, took place yesterday afternoon in the 55th year of her age at St. Joseph's hospital. The deceased who was born in the State of Pennsylvania, is survived by her husband, by one daughter, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, of this city, one son, Charles Hopper, who is still living at home and by four sisters and one brother, who live in the State of Wisconsin. Her illness began about Christmas time, but it was only on Friday last that she was taken to the hospital. The funeral will take place tomorrow, Thursday afternoon, from the family residence No. 1065 Hulton St., at 2.30 and at 2.45 o'clock from St. Columba church on Hulton street. Rev. Joseph McCoy officiating.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., March 23, 1909.

SYNOPSIS.
The barometer is rising in this vicinity and fair weather is likely to continue with moderate to fresh northerly winds along the coast. The weather is unusually mild northward to the Yukon and across the Rockies to Alberta and Saskatchewan.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	36	55
Vancouver	31	53
New Westminster	31	62
Kamloops	28	64
Barkerville	28	52
Port Simpson	36	40
Atlin	24	40
Dawson, Y. T.	16	36
Calgary, Alta.	20	48
Winnipeg, Man.	30	38
Portland, Ore.	42	66
San Francisco, Cal.	46	56

FORECASTS.
For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Wednesday:
Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and mild.
Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and mild.

TUESDAY.

Highest	55
Lowest	36
Mean	45
Sunshine, 10 hours, 36 minutes.	

TIDE TABLE

Victoria, March, 1909.

Date	Time	High	Time	Low	Time	High	Time	Low
1	8.38	8.17	5.1	2.41	.....		
2	4.30	8.71	.....	1.32	2.30	.....	
3	4.46	8.5	9.38	8.11	1.58	8.12	0.00	2.5
4	5.05	8.24	7.61	12.50	7.92	0.34	2.8	
5	4.30	7.59	9.22	7.13	4.9	7.1	2.07	3.2
6	4.16	6.4	8.4	6.12	7.9	2.25	6.2	
7	4.22	7.50	10.18	6.01	15.28	7.32	10.4	2
8	4.40	8.91	10.59	5.51	16.32	7.02	12.39	4.8
9	5.04	7.91	11.45	5.11	17.42	6.82	13.05	5.5
10	5.29	7.91	12.34	4.71	19.09	6.62	13.25	6.2
11	5.46	8.01	12.5	4.3	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	5.58	8.31	12.41	3.7	.....	.....	.....	.....
13	6.40	8.61	15.18	3.2	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	6.12	8.91	16.15	2.7	.....	.....	.....	.....
15	7.02	8.51	16.28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	8.20	8.51	18.01	2.0	.....	.....	.....	.....
17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	3.24	7.6	7.04	6.01	11.50	8.4	19.34	1.9
20	3.12	7.6	7.52	6.51	13.13	8.3	20.17	2.2
21	3.08	7.8	8.42	5.51	14.18	8.1	20.59	2.4
22	3.24	8.0	9.33	4.51	15.24	7.8	21.40	3.7
23	3.48	8.21	10.23	3.7	16.36	7.5	22.22	4.6
24	4.16	8.31	11.14	3.1	17.59	7.2	23.06	5.7
25	4.45	8.41	12.08	2.3	19.02	7.0	23.52	6.6
26	4.12	8.51	13.06
27	5.29	8.41	14.07	2.2
28	5.30	8.31	15.09	2.4
29	5.36	8.16	16.09	2.4
30	5.26	8.17	17.06	2.2
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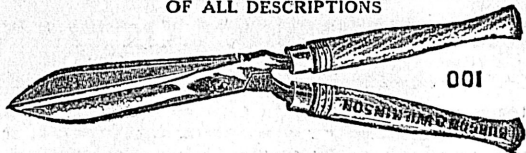
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MYSTERY SURROUNDS EXPLOSION ACCIDENT

George Kent Injured in Pacific Transfer Co.'s Office in an Unexplained Manner

Hurled across the office of the Pacific Transfer company and found lying bleeding and bruised, while the report of a terrific explosion still rung through the air, George Kent, book-keeper for the Pacific Transfer company, brother of Arthur Kent, manager of the company, was very seriously injured yesterday afternoon at 4.40 o'clock. He is now lying in the St. Joseph's Hospital, his left leg badly shattered from the thigh down, the muscles torn and knee-cap broken, while the right leg is also badly injured. He was taken from the shock that had condition, while showing some improvement since last night is still precarious.

It is probable that he will suffer the loss of the mangled member, but the doctors consider it remarkable that he escaped with his life.

Passers-by along lower Fort Street, and in fact those as far away as the central station, were startled by the loud and sharp report of the explosion. The report came from the office of the Transfer company, in front of which a large crowd soon gathered wondering at the incident. Not an atom of glass in the window or door remained but across the roadway over to the Pither & Leiser building, was strewn the fragments. Inside the office lay Mr. Kent, just beneath the window against the side of which he had been hurled with terrific force. His legs were soaked with blood which oozed from the wounds through the torn clothing, while the spattered blood marks about the office and over the wall told the startled attendant, Charles Stratton, who rushed into the office after the explosion, that a shocking accident had occurred.

Badly Shattered. Recognizing the seriousness of the case, Stratton summoned some of the other stable attendants, while some one telephoned for the police patrol and Dr. George Hall, and Mr. Kent was carried to St. Joseph's hospital. In the meantime an enormous crowd had gathered in front of the Transfer company's office. The scene inside was beyond description. In the corner furthest from the street had stood a small stove. Beyond a few broken and twisted pieces of metal, not a vestige of the heating apparatus remained. The tin guard nailed against the wall to protect the wood work from the heat was punctured and torn by the force of the explosion. The walls of the office were charred and blackened and holes ripped in the wood counter, and the wood panels of the door wrecked. The force of the explosion must have been terrific. Had Mr. Kent not hit the side of the window he would undoubtedly have been blown into the street. Pieces of the stove were found lying on the roadway together with other articles which had been in the office.

The mystery of the explosion remained complete until last evening, when a possible explanation was discovered. It was at first thought that among some rubbish which Mr. Kent was burning in the stove had become mixed with some high explosive which caused the accident. But how the explosive could be in the rubbish was not capable of explanation.

Terrific Force. One of the drivers yesterday afternoon had carried a box of rubbish from the offices of Leeming Brothers, Port street, to the stables with the intention of taking it to the city garbage scow, but Mr. Kent had sent him out on another order, saying that he would burn the rubbish in the stove. He had been burning a quantity of rubbish all the forenoon and just a few minutes before the explosion was at the same work. Stratton had just left the office and was at the entrance to the stables when the explosion occurred. The shock was so great that he fell to his knees while one of the big doors swung back and knocked him over. With the report ringing in his ears he rushed into the office and amid the scene of destruction saw Mr. Kent lying huddled at the corner under the window. The latter retained consciousness while he was being carried into the patrol wagon and recognized several persons in the crowd whom he knew. The shock and pain were too much for him, however, and he lapsed into unconsciousness while being driven to the hospital.

Mysterious Object. Some time afterwards, as Mr. Arthur Kent was sweeping out the debris from the wrecked office, his attention was attracted by a peculiar looking piece of metal lying near the window. It was shaped like a pipe about two inches in diameter and a foot in length and attached thereto were pieces of rubber in the same fashion as fastened on an arrow, evidently for the purpose of directing its flight. The appearance of the object immediately aroused his curiosity. One end of it was hollow and the ragged edge indicated that some great force had shattered it. A few feet away was found another peculiar piece of metal, a solid object about two inches long sharpened to a point, the blunt end having apparently fitted into a hollow casing, as a piece of the latter remained and this too was ragged and looked as if it had been forcibly torn off.

Kent showed the two pieces of metal to one of the men in the barn, John Hillyer, who immediately recognized them as having formed part of a long harpoon-like object with which he had seen the injured man stirring the fire. Another of the stable help, when shown the object, went to the rear of the stable and produced a metal object which Hillyer stated was exactly like that which he had seen George Kent using.

Played With Weapons. One of the stable hands then told of having seen some four or five of the supposed harpoons lying in a vacant lot near the stable. In fact they told of how on several occasions they had amused themselves by throwing the objects at a mark in the wall. They could give no explanation as to how they came to the lot but remembered their having been there for some time. The harpoons, if they are such, had evidently been there for a long time as they are rusty and corroded.

Those who saw the object stated that it was a portion of a harpoon of the kind used in the whaling industry. The hollow part of the handle and the point is filled with a highly explosive material which, when it explodes, does so laterally with tremendous force. If this theory is correct the mystery of the accident of

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yesterday is explained. But where the harpoons came from or how long they have been lying about the place are questions which cannot be answered. The one still in the possession of the company will be shown to some authority on whaling with the object of ascertaining whether the above theory of the accident is correct.

The injured man was sufficiently recovered last night to explain that he had been stirring the fire when the explosion occurred, but he could give no explanation of what caused the explosion so sudden had been the whole affair.

The accident happened at 4.40 o'clock for it was exactly at that time that the clock stopped, through the force of the explosion.

WATER COMMISSIONERS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED

Assistant Commissioners of Land to Act Temporarily in This Capacity

In order to expedite the practical working out of the Water Act some temporary measures have been made by the government, pending the making of further provision. Mr. Fulton, chief commissioner of lands, announced yesterday that the districts under the jurisdiction of the various assistant commissioners of land had been erected into water districts for the purposes of the Water Act. Also the assistant commissioners of lands have been appointed water commissioners under the Water Act for their respective districts.

It is understood that this machinery has been created temporarily in order to obviate any delay in taking advantage of the provisions of the new legislation, but that the whole matter is subject to review later on when the question will be further considered by the executive.

PRESS CRITICISMS ON NAVAL SUGGESTION

Ottawa Citizen and Nelson News Endorse Plan Advocated By Victorian

Under the caption "A Navy for Canada," the Ottawa Citizen in its issue of Wednesday, March 17, said editorially:

"An article recently appeared in the London Times from the pen of Mr. C. A. Gregg, of the Victoria Colonist, advocating the acquisition of some of the retired, but still thoroughly serviceable British warships by the Canadian government, to be manned by Canadians, and stationed at Halifax and Esquimaux. This writer of the article considered would be preferable to the building and maintenance of a small squadron of semi-warlike fishery cruisers. The point made was that Canadians on either coast of the Dominion have been used to see the British flag shown on warships of sufficient size to emphasize the naval power of the empire. As a matter of sentiment and as a stimulus to patriotism this is considered essential for moral effect, both at home and upon foreigners who visit our ports. In former years the British Atlantic and Pacific squadrons 'showed the flag' on both our coasts and foreign ships visiting Canada were impressed with the knowledge that Canadian shipping was British shipping, and that the power of the British navy was ever at hand for its succor and protection. Since the Russo-Japanese war the new naval strategy is one of concentration, and Halifax and Esquimaux are no longer British naval bases. Mr. Gregg's idea is that the absence of warships tends somewhat to a diminution of British sentiment in Canada, a sentiment that is in no wise incompatible with a strong Canadian national sentiment. Speaking for the sea-coast provinces he declares that 'Canadians dearly love the sight of a battleship,' presumably a British battleship, but he thinks that the substitution of small fishery cruisers would be but a travesty. It can be easily appreciated even by inlanders that the substitution of small fishery cruisers for the fine squadrons which formerly rendezvoused on either coast might have an unfortunate effect on foreign sentiment, as represented by the vessels trading to these ports, giving an impression of weakness on Canada's part as compared with the days when Britain's navy stood on guard. To this extent the argument in favor of securing and manning real warships seems valid. As to the effect on Canadian sentiment, the large bulk of the population of Canada is unaware whether a Dreadnought or a steam pinnace roughs the waves that lave our shores, though it can be quite well understood that the citizens of Victoria and Halifax miss the good old days when warships swung on the tide. If it is possible to combine business and sentiment, there seems to be a good argument in favor of Canada maintaining warships, which Britain might loan. They could do the work of fishery cruisers, would be available for training a naval militia, and would certainly be more impressive both to the native and the foreigner than fishery cruisers.

On the question of "Canada and Naval Defence," the Nelson Daily News of Sunday last said: "Elsewhere in today's issue is published an important letter from Mr. C. A. Gregg, of Victoria, dealing with Canada's participation in Imperial naval defence. Mr. Gregg's suggestion is that the admiralty should turn over a certain number of war craft that have been put out of commission, to be manned by Canada and used in the fishery protection service instead of the class of vessels which the Dominion

government now uses for this purpose and which are to be added to shortly. The present type of Dominion fishery protection cruisers are, as pointed out in this letter, travesties as fighting craft. The adoption of Mr. Gregg's idea would place Canada in possession of vessels that would do good service in time of need, but more important still they would serve as training ships for sailors and officers against the day when Canada undertakes her duty to the empire by the building of modern vessels for her own defence.

"The suggestion contained in Mr. Gregg's letter is an excellent one. Canada should, and must sooner or later, do her share towards, at least, the naval defence of her own shores. To think otherwise is to think Canadians are content to remain for all time dependent on the British taxpayer for their naval protection, while they do not in any way contribute a single cent to the Imperial exchequer, in other words that they are prepared to accept everything that is coming and give nothing in return. There may be some people in Canada who are small enough to desire the continuation of a policy of this kind but their number is rapidly decreasing. The suggestion of Mr. Gregg is just as willing to pay their own way in the matter of naval defence as in all others. All that is required is action by the government to carry the people's wishes into effect.

"While generally speaking, Mr. Gregg's suggestion is in keeping with Canadian sentiment, there is one particular to which objection can well be taken. It is that the plan he outlines must await the offer of vessels to the Canadian government by the admiralty. Instead of this, most people would say, the Dominion government should approach the admiralty on the question.

"Australia has already taken the initiative in providing a navy for the protection of her own shores and is being strongly urged by the Commonwealth to present the admiralty with a Dreadnought. There is no reason why Canada should do less toward her own naval protection than Australia is doing, but if the government is not ready to go the lengths that our fellow Britons in the Antipodes have gone, there can be no argument against an arrangement such as Mr. Gregg suggested. The government of Canada should act in the matter and at once."

Professor Duckworth, the well known and widely respected head of Trinity College, Toronto University, contributes an article on the same subject to the Standard of Empire, saying:

"Canada's contribution to Imperial defence is to make herself entirely self-sufficient for the defence of her coasts and harbors. That means the creation of a Canadian navy, which will be most effective if it be made as entirely Canadian as the Canadian militia. It also means the adequate maintenance of the naval stations at Halifax and Esquimaux. Moreover, that it means the enlargement and improvement of these, and possibly the addition of other naval stations as well. It means the creation of a Canadian naval reserve, in addition to the crews actually on service. Perhaps it may be more economical to have the vessels and their armaments constructed in Britain, at such places as Elswick or Barrow-in-Furness. But there ought to be, on this side, all the plant necessary for repairs, both heavy and light. These repairing plants should be available for the service of the Royal Navy, as also should be the stores of coal, ammunition and victuals. The presentation of a cruiser, or even a battleship, to the Royal Navy is recommended as sure to attract and retain Canadian sympathy and interest. Much more likely to attract and retain such sympathy and interest would be a navy manned and officered by Canadians, administered by Canadians, protecting the Canadian shores and ports, both heavy and light. These, to which even Manitoba, with her preference for box cars over battleships, would not refuse to be reconciled.

Of course it would mean a serious addition to the public expenditure of the Dominion. But let the expenditure be regarded, and represented as an insurance premium, and let the risks be represented as real, though apparently distant.

"The expenditure would be Imperial, as well as local, and even though the Canadian vessels were retained for service along or near the coast—which they would not be in case of the Royal Navy maintaining its traditions of victory—Canada would be providing naval depots and dockyards, where vessels of the Royal Navy could replenish their stores of victuals, ammunition and coal, and have such repairs effected as might be required.

"Meanwhile, how is Canada preparing to do her part in this matter? Not very satisfactorily, if a leader in the Toronto Mail and Empire of January 26 and a subsequent issue, is to be taken as a guide. As we speak true, at Esquimaux, we are informed, the defensive works taken over by the Dominion from the Imperial government are being so neglected that they are falling into a state of decay and ruin. 'Proh pudor! Ye did run well; who did hinder you?' Is the parable of the man who set about building a tower to end fulfillment in the story of Canada's maritime defenses?"

WOODRUFF vs. VIPOND

Logging Engineer's Damage Case Still Before the Courts

The case of Woodruff vs. Vipond again occupied the entire time of Mr. Justice Irving and a jury yesterday. The morning was taken up with the remainder of the plaintiff's case, during which expert evidence was introduced to show that on the occasion of the accident the donkey engine was placed on the wrong side of the chute, a fact which made the position of the engineer needlessly dangerous. Also it was too close to the chute according to the opinion of the witnesses. Another point made was that in such cases the engineer was supposed to watch the signal man and not the logs, and merely obey the signals given to him.

In the afternoon, W. H. Langley opened for the defense and the remainder of the afternoon was taken up in putting in part of the case for the defendant. The defence claims that the plaintiff was the author of his own accident, and so is not entitled to any damages. Also it was testified that the engine was correctly placed according to the ordinary logging practice.

Wm. C. Moresby and R. S. Lowe are representing the plaintiff. The case will probably continue all today, and it is expected that it will conclude late this afternoon.

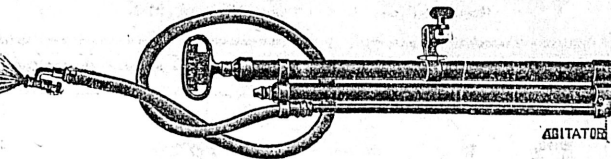
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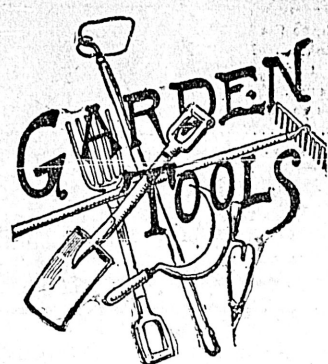
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There are so many beautiful places in which to camp out in Victoria that few city people realize what delightful summer residences the islands in the Gulf afford. Looking from the steamers, the tourist gets an impression that Galiano, Mayne, Pender, Salt Spring and the smaller islands are picturesque in the extreme but they form no idea of their fertility. The rocky ridges shelter narrow valleys which form ideal homes. The holiday maker who is fortunate enough to spend the summer there, can walk through lovely groves of maple and alder or pass hours on the hills among the firs where the air is laden with balsam. There are sandy bays where the water is warm enough to make bathing a delight or harder swimming can take a plunge from the rocks. In almost every vicinity milk and eggs can be obtained and it is said that this season there will be more frequent communication than formerly between the city and the Pass. For those who wish, there are hotels but perhaps the greatest pleasure could be gained by the camping party. There will come a time when the Islands will be a summer resort for all the cities on the coast. Now they afford a delightful retreat for the few who know and appreciate their quiet and their loveliness.

Householders and property owners should not wait for the corporation to make permanent improvements before they begin to set the city in order. Let any lady walk down any or almost any street in the city and notice how much there is to offend the eye. Then if she will just see with how little trouble an improvement can be made she will feel like going home and sending out her Chinaman or her children immediately to begin the work of tidying up.

A basket, a broom, a hoe and a rake vigorously used before every door would effect a great improvement. If, in addition, the children, little and big, were made to understand that they must not scatter paper, throw orange peel or drop any other of the many things they use or play with on the street, a great step would have been made not only in the direction of cleaning up the street but towards keeping them clean. To make them all beautiful, flowers should be in every front yard and climbing plants on every wall. These are things which all the housewives in Victoria, whether poor or rich could bring about. Those who are property owners could repair fences and paint houses and outbuildings.

There are many advantages which Victoria has that others of its size have not. Its large extent, compared with its population gives room for gardens and large yards in which the children can play. From the mother's point of view the disposition of some property owners and contractors to build houses so close together as to afford the least possible vacant space is much to be regretted. Perhaps this is inevitable, but it takes from Victoria one of its chief charms as a residential city.

Still if we have plenty of room we must make use of it. We do for ourselves many things which are done by the corporations of crowded cities. Among these is the necessity of helping in the care of the space between the streets and private property. We cannot afford to have our sidewalks bordered with wild barley and weeds or to allow straggling dusty shrubs to grow outside our fences. The time and trouble needed to keep a few feet before our own doors neat and tidy would be well repaid not only by our own satisfaction but by the good opinion of our visitors. Women could, if they would, do more than men to improve the residential streets.

There is another matter in which women can help the corporation. Children must be taught to take care of the boulevards. Unless they are the parks board will be put to greatly increased expense in repairing the damage done by them. It is quite impossible for policemen to watch the whole extent of the streets and they should not be obliged to do so. Every child in the city should be taught to take a pride in its appearance and wanton destruction ought not to be tolerated. It is exasperating to see pretty, well-dressed children running over the newly planted grass and loosening the scarcely rooted shrubs. This has not been done on the grounds of the parliament buildings and other planted places in the streets should be as safe from injury. It is time that every one in Victoria, young or old, determined that the reputation of untidiness should be taken away from it.

Every day is seeing a fresh advance in the campaign against tuberculosis. All classes of people are realizing that it is to their interest to lessen the number of victims of this disease. Nowhere on the continent have its ravages been greater than in the north-eastern part of the United States and there the most united and best directed efforts for its extermination have been undertaken. In the city of New York dispensaries have been opened and nurses engaged to visit the sick and to give help and advice to their relatives. From the observations of these intelligent women it was found that competition had no greater ally than the crowded tenements. Two wealthy women have commenced to remedy the great evil of overcrowding. Mrs. Vanderbilt has given a million dollars to erect houses which shall be occupied by the families of tuberculous patients. These dwellings will be bright and airy and convalescents who occupy rooms there will have a good chance of recovery.

In one sense this scheme is not a charitable one. The tenants will pay rent in the ordinary way, but their dwellings will be homes where health is possible and not composed of evil-smelling, crowded rooms.

Another rich woman, Mrs. Russell Sage, has devoted her wealth to the erection of model houses. Her aim is not to cure sick people, but to prevent illness. Mrs. Sage has procured forty-eight acres of land, and on it she will erect model tenements. The work of these women and of other philanthropists who are working to remove the poor from the slums and to place them in homes which have all the decencies and many of the comforts of life is greatly to be admired. They are acting as the trustees of wealth and not as the owners. They are not to be used in the indulgence of their own desires and feelings. Equally worthy of imitation are the

twenty or more factory owners in Worcester, Massachusetts, who have undertaken to send, at their own expense, any of their employees who are attacked by tuberculosis, to the Rutland sanatorium, for three months. If this example is followed by other large employers of labor a great deal will be done towards preserving the health of the people of factory towns. Hundreds of men and women whose lives might have been saved struggle on till all hope of cure is past rather than devote those dependent on them of support. Foolish as this may be, it is very natural. The employers who make it to their interest to consult a physician and to attempt a cure in the very first stages of the disease are acting not only generously, but with a view to their own best interests. The health and efficiency of all their employees will be increased by taking from among them those who might spread the disease.

If, in a region which has long been looked upon as a stronghold of tuberculosis, it is felt that much is being done towards its extermination how much more should we in this country be encouraged to prevent this disease from becoming prevalent?

There are very few Canadians who have had an opportunity of seeing many really good pictures in the original. The great works of art are only accessible to those who have means at their disposal. Most of us are very diffident of our judgment in such matters. We are afraid to be really honest and to say what we like or dislike.

It appears that even in the city of Montreal, where opportunities for observation and judgment are much greater, women have every much the same feeling and take every opportunity to obtain instruction in the matter of art. The Women's club of that city recently invited Professor Armstrong to deliver a lecture to them on the subject of "Pictures."

Among many other things the lecturer said that colored reproductions of really good pictures by first rate artists were far better than poor originals by third-rate artists. He believed the colored reproduction was much better than carbon prints or photographs. Those of us who have felt a delight in such reproductions may, after all, take heart and not feel that our taste is so terribly at fault when the best executed photograph did not appeal to us as strongly as the same picture reproduced in colors, even when the work was less expensive. That no excellence of execution can make up for the choice of an unskillful subject is another observation which will commend itself to common people but will not, perhaps, be concurred in by some who claim a greater knowledge of art.

TRIED RECIPES

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Carefully drain and cut into small pieces 4 oz. of macaroni which has been soaked in water and a little salt. Stir it gently for a few moments over the fire in a saucepan with 2 tablespoonfuls of thick white butter sauce, 2 yolks of egg, salt, pepper, and grated cheese to taste, adding a little good mushroom purée or ketchup. When all is thoroughly mixed and hot, turn it into a bask, covered with oiled paper. Cut into small squares, dip them in egg and breadcrumb as the usual way, and try them in hot fat. They must be carefully drained before serving.

Tea Biscuits

Roll out to 1/4-inch thickness a paste made with 12 oz. of icing sugar and half as much ground almond, the juice and white of one egg, a lemon, and a grain of salt. Cut it into fancy rounds, brush them with beaten yolk of egg, powder them with sugar and chopped almonds, and put half a crystallized cherry on each. Cook them on wafer paper in a quick oven.

Southern Hospitality.

"I was going through the capitol at Richmond," says the Englishman, "and met into conversation with a very pleasant woman. I told her I was an Englishman travelling around on the look-out for historical places and happened to mention that I was going to run out to Petersburg."

"I'll give you a letter of introduction," she exclaimed. There's a gentleman there who will be delighted to show you everything. I was a little taken back, you know. I didn't know the lady's name, and she didn't know mine. She sat down to write the introduction, and then it turned out she didn't even know the gentleman's name. It was awkward, you know, and by sheer inadvertency she gave me a letter to her friend's deceased brother.

"It didn't matter much, however. I didn't find the gentleman, but I came across his nephew. Of course, he couldn't read the letter, as it wasn't addressed to him, but as soon as I told him I wanted to see the Crater, he dropped his business at once and took me out to the battlefield. He'd been in the scrimmage himself and explained the whole affair to me. "I felt it was awfully decent, you know, to put himself out for an entire stranger, but I was quite overwhelmed as my fellow would be when he said he was sorry that he hadn't known I was coming, so that he could have driven me out to his country place. And he only found out my name and I his as we said good-bye. That's what I call true hospitality."—New York Times.

A Suffrage Debate.

Mrs. Henry Fawcett and Mrs. Humphry Ward recently held a debate on the suffrage in the lecture hall of the Passmore Edwards settlement. The following is the Times report of the debate which was carried on with the utmost good humor:

Mrs. Humphry Ward began by reference to what Mrs. Fawcett had accomplished for women's education, and Mrs. Fawcett began by expressing appreciation of Mrs. Ward's good work among the poor children of London. Mrs. Ward was the first speaker. She argued, on a survey of the past thirty years, first, that the concession of the parliamentary suffrage was not necessary for the promotion of any of the special interests of women, that the grievances under which they suffered thirty years ago, or at any rate the vast majority of those grievances, had not been addressed, and that their economic position was not clearly dependent upon it; and, secondly, that while the parliamentary vote was not necessary to their welfare, the practical

danger to the nation involved in conceding it was much greater now than it was thirty years ago. The law, she held, under the men-elected parliaments, was shedding old barbarisms and inequalities in matters that concerned the relation of the sexes as witnesses the enactments giving the mother an equitable share in the guardianship of her children, and the changes in the law affecting married women and their property. There was being built up a code of factory legislation in the interests of women and children. In the teaching and industrial professions, in business and industry, on councils and public boards, women's influence had developed immensely "in all those subjects and functions where they could rightly and freely take part and where they could bring a special contribution to the life of the nation." Secondly, the immense increase of England's imperial responsibility and the increased complexity and risk of the problems before statesmen, called for the labor and special knowledge of men. The men who bore the burden ought, in her opinion, to be left unhampered "by the political inexperience of women." The problems of democracy were now "questions of life, vital questions of sociology, requiring no doubt the good will of all women in particular—acting through their own organs and methods for their solution, but involving also, more clearly than ever before, that physical force sanction behind all governments which no argument could juggle away."

Mrs. Fawcett, in reply, said that she believed if women had the vote it would better their economic position. The wages of women tended to become lower owing to their unprotected position in the labor market. In parliament all the members would rush to protect the workman, every member was the workman's friend because of the workman's vote; the woman was not so. She was a voteless slave. She thought of the law as it stood with regard to the responsibility of mothers was a monstrous injustice. Women would get their disabilities removed much better and quicker if they had the parliamentary franchise behind them. Men were not intentionally neglectful, but they were taken up with their own affairs. She wanted to understand that there was no question of sex antagonism. As to the danger of weakening the government by women's vote without the physical force behind it, they had been told that since women had the vote in Australia the men had seriously taken up the question of national defence. In the democracy of the present day there was no reason for the exclusion of one half of the human race.

Mrs. Ward's motion, "That the concession of the parliamentary franchise to women is not necessary to the interests of women and would be dangerous to the interests of the country" was lost by a vote of 74 to 235. It must be explained that of the tickets issued, 350 were allowed to vote, and the 150 to the "antis." Fifty per cent. of the latter seem to have become unsettled, or at least to have abstained from voting, and about thirty-three per cent. of the others.

A Royal Party.

A very pretty and interesting description is given of the Imperial party during a performance at the Opera while the King and Queen were in Berlin by the German correspondent of the Westminster Gazette:

First came the Empress, led by King Edward, who wore a German Admiral's uniform. In rose-colored velvet, with the finest of lace covering the front of her dress and coming to the point deep below the waist, with strings of pearls and diamonds, and with a glittering crown upon her beautiful white hair, the Empress looked a stately figure, and with her gentle smile, a motherly one as well, the ideal Landesmutter of which the Germans are so fond of talking. Next came Queen Alexandra, led by the German Emperor, who wore the uniform of a British Field Marshal. Her Majesty's dress, of a rich shade of violet, set off to perfection the slender youthful grace of her figure; the long train shone and gleamed with golden lights, and with her sparkling crown and ornaments she was the loveliest lady in all that splendid assembly.

Queen Alexandra and William II sat together chatting happily, now evidently smiling at a joke they shared, now explaining something that required all manner of lively gesticulation, and again talking quietly and gravely to one another. The Emperor had barely time to say a friendly word now and then to Princess Henry of Prussia, sitting on his right, nor could the Queen do more than address just a word or two to the stately Empress, who, however, looked on with a kindly smile, delighting in her guests' undisguised pleasure.

The King, also seated between the Empress and the Crown Princess, who wore a simple, but remarkably pretty gown, suggesting a place of flowers over which pale grey-green waters flowed, seemed thoroughly at home. The prettiest and the gayest group in the box was that formed by the Empress, behind her the Crown Prince, and next to him, behind the King, "Prinzesschen," the young German Princess Victoria, who looked extremely pleased with her first long dress, which however, was of the utmost simplicity, pale green, and contrasting with her long, fair, silky hair. Whenever the child saw her mother sit still, and as if just a little isolated, she bent forward in the prettiest way, touched the Empress's arm, and chattered merrily. Then the Crown Prince would pinch his sister's arm, or offend her young dignity by pulling her hair and she would turn with lightning quickness and shake his arm and chide him, till he could preserve his gravity no longer and she grew doubly disdainful at his attitude towards her, his only sister. Next he would whisper in her ear, and point to his young wife in the front row, "Prinzesschen" would turn to the latter with a private message, and all the three would giggle and sparkle with suppressed merriment at their own levity, unworthy of the solemn, state occasion. The Emperor's younger sons looked on a little wistfully from the back of the box; and over the whole Imperial, rose-embowered box there hung an atmosphere of pleasant, easy, congenial enjoyment, which communicated itself to the audience, and sent everybody away in the best of spirits.

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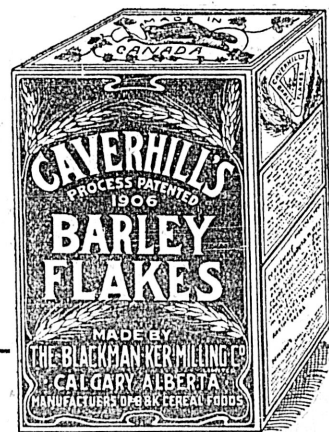
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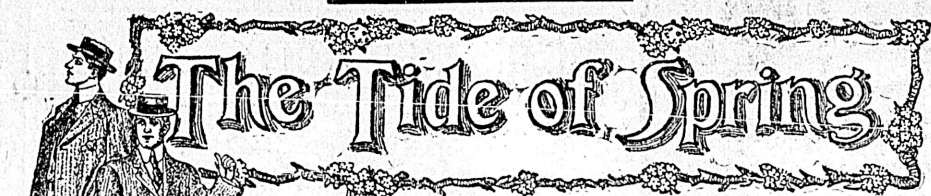
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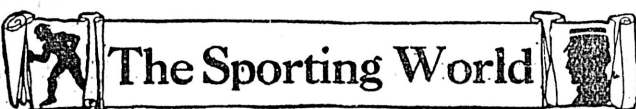
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championship. It was thought that it
would take place next Saturday even-
ing at Seattle. But Mr. Smith doesn't
think that can be done. It would in-
terfere with the British Columbia in-
termediate championship tournament.
Furthermore, he suggests that Wed-
nesday or Friday of next week would
be suitable for the match. At least
this is the effect of an announcement
made through the mainland press,
presumably at the instigation of the
physical director of the Terminal City
organization.

Mr. Findlay, of Victoria, doesn't
think that either Wednesday or Friday
would do. When spoken to last night
he expressed himself on that point
most emphatically.

The local physical director explained
that he had written Mr. Smith re-
garding the arrangements for the
game on Friday. In this epistle some
suggestions had been offered and a
number of questions asked. Instead
of replying Mr. Smith, most indepen-
dently and somewhat discourteously,
ignored Mr. Findlay's communication
and intimated one in which plans are

outlined that could not be accepted by
the Victoria team.

Mr. Findlay Angry

To say that Mr. Findlay is indignant
would be putting it mildly. He is an-
gry. "That man Smith is getting all
together too high-minded," he ejacu-
lated last night. "And what's more,
you can say so from me, if you like."

That is Mr. Findlay's attitude, and
it may be taken as representing that
of the athletic branch of the local Y.
M. C. A. The basketball boys want to
meet Vancouver on even terms. To
enable their regular five to take the
floor against the mainlanders the
match must be held on a Saturday
night. If any other time is chosen
several of the players will be unable
to make the Seattle trip. That is the
situation from Victoria's standpoint.

"We won't play on Wednesday or
Friday," said Mr. Findlay, "and that's
final."

Saturday week would be satisfac-
tory, the physical director affirmed.
But he didn't see why it couldn't be
arranged for next Saturday. Mr.
Smith claimed that the B. C. inter-
mediate championship tournament, tak-
ing place at Vancouver on that date,
rendered such a thing impossible. He
wanted to know why that was so.
What had an intermediate series to do
with a senior league? He couldn't see
the connection and hoped that Mr.
Smith would be able to re-consider his
decision.

To postpone the match for a for-
night would bring the wind-up match
of the season too far into the spring.

BOWLERS COMPETING FOR ANOTHER TROPHY

Second Silver Cup Presented to
Encourage Players—Tele-
graphic League Record

Competition for another silver cup
started among bowlers last night on
the Douglas Street alleys. This is open
to everybody, the fee charged for the
privilege of rolling is only nominal.
Any number of players can roll at any
time, it being an open competition. In
order to give the less skillful players a
chance they will be matched against
players of their own class. The regu-
lar senior bowlers will play among
themselves. This makes it possible for
anybody to get a win and the person
securing the greatest number of points
between now and May 29th, becomes
the owner of the trophy.

One game was played last night with
the following results:

Player	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.	Ave.
Moran	181	162	202	545	182
Buckle	170	141	146	457	152
Brewster	178	116	159	453	151
Brooke	173	133	122	428	143
Aaronson	143	148	124	415	138

Other Contests.

The following matches were rolled
for the Fox and Matthews cup:

Player	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.	Ave.
Brewster	182	158	178	518	173
Nason	173	170	153	496	165
Moran	12	186	157	465	155

Player	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.	Ave.
Moran	198	160	227	585	195
Aaronson	168	208	165	541	180
Nason	163	192	166	521	174
Brewster	136	186	152	474	158

Telegraphic League.

In the last B. C. Telegraphic match
Vancouver broke another record in
making a score of 3050 for five men.
This means an average of 203 per man
each game and is certainly bowling
study.

Player	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.	Ave.
Cilburn	210	160	204	574	191
Scott	167	237	193	597	199
Steeves	154	227	223	604	201
Shaw	225	201	189	615	205
Hodge	182	248	225	655	218

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Victoria score was 2611.
New Westminster's was 2149.

DUKE OF SPARTA WON LINCOLNSHIRE RACE

Arranmore, the Favorite, Took Second
Place in Handicap Run

London, March 23.—The Lincoln-
shire handicap run today was won by
Duke of Sparta; Arranmore was sec-
ond, and Longcroft third.

The result was a surprise to the
wise ones of this city. They had
picked Arranmore to win should he
start. The Duke of Sparta was not
figured on. However the majority
were pleased at finding that they were
so little out in their conclusions, es-
pecially as they had to base them on
nothing but the vague and scanty in-
formation received through the mail
and over the cable.

Early in March the betting was as
follows: 5 Arranmore, 3 Succor, 11
Kaffir Chief, 14 General Stoessel, 16

BOWLING

at the
VICTORIA BOWLING PARLORS
1110 Douglas Street

Borax, 20 Mercutia, 20 Velvet, 20
Lady Hasty.

"A Sporty Lot."

What do you know about that gay
old town of Victoria holding a sixty
days' race meet? If they can go that
strong on the racing game in the
Capital it is certain that they will be
able to support a strong lacrosse team
in the near future. Victorians are a
sporty lot and if the officials of the
Capital City lacrosse club can interest
the public in the national game it will
boom just as it has in New Westmin-
ster for the past fifteen years.—Van-
couver News-Advertiser.

LAWN BOWLING TO BE POPULAR SPORT

Pretty Clubhouse and Splen-
did Grounds at Beacon
Hill

The season of the merry bonspiel and
the curling stone is about over. In
eastern Canada, through the prairie
provinces, and in the British Columbia
interior the rinks are closing. Spring
is in the air.

Everywhere sportsmen who wield
the hollowed blocks of granite are
talking over the winter's incidents
and looking forward to lawn bowling.

In Victoria there are a large num-
ber of prairie men who have recently
come to the Pacific slope to make their
homes. They haven't been able to en-
gage in curling but they are not going
to allow the summer to pass without
having a whirl at the lawn pastime.

Perhaps few have noticed the work
in progress in an unostentatious
corner of the Beacon Hill park. The
dainty little clubhouse, conveying a
sense of comfort while its pretty orna-
mentations please the eye, has not
been generally remarked upon because
it is not prominent. But the structure
is there. The grounds in front are
being laid with turf and will be level-
led as flat and as solid as a billiard
board. Here, during the summer, will
foregather ex-curlers and old-time
bowlers eager to participate in the
game which, while strange to the vic-
torian, is one of the passions
of many easterners.

The recreation promises to flourish.
The preparations that have been going
forward quietly have not attracted
general attention. Still they have been
jealously followed by all votaries of
the sport in view. Every Sunday little
bands of Scotsmen, prairie men, and
Englishmen who remember the game
as affording them some of the pleas-
ures of their youth have assembled
and noted the progress and have
watched the oncoming of spring with
ill-concealed impatience.

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BOYS' UNDERWEAR, per suit.....50¢
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Prices that will appeal to you

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That the new club will have a large
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Prairie club, which is responsible for
the establishment of the institution,
are assured that their venture will be
a grand success.

To limit the applications accepted
will be necessary as the club's grounds
will be able to accommodate only a
comparative few active players com-
fortably. Therefore those who wish

to take part should not delay in taking
the steps necessary. If they wait until
the beginning of the season it is pos-
sible that the officials will be unable
to endorse them. Now is the accepted
time.

(Additional Sport on Page Fifteen)
Tea will be served free to Pullman
passengers on the Pennsylvania rail-
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out frills or humbug. We preach live and let live.

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That's the Point

(SEE OUR OTHER AD ON PAGE SEVEN)

We Guarantee Our Quality.

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- ARCADIA CODFISH—2 lb. box....25¢
- CODFISH in 2 lb. pkts.....20¢
- FINNAN HADDIE—Per lb.12 1/2¢
- NICE JUICY NAVEL ORANGES—Per
dozen, 12 1/2¢, 20¢ and.....35¢
- FINE LARGE LEMONS—Per doz....20¢
- GOOD EATING APPLES—6 lbs. for 25¢
- GROUND RICE—4 lb. sack.....25¢
- ROLLED OATS—7 lb. paper bag...35¢
- 40 lb. sack\$1.75
- 80 lb. sack\$3.25
- CREMO—For breakfast, 10 lb. sack...45¢
- CALGARY RISING SUN FLOUR—Per
sack\$1.65
- TOASTED CORN FLAKES—Per packet,
at10¢
- 5 packets for45¢
- SCOTCH CORN STARCH—3 pkts....25¢
- LOOSE LAUNDRY STARCH—3 lbs. 25¢
- LAUNDRY BLUE—Day & Martin's, 1 lb.
packet15¢
- BON AMI—2 pkts. for.....25¢
- SAPOLIO—Per cake10¢
- DUNTH CLEANER—Per tin.....10¢
- SUNLIGHT SOAP—22 bars for....\$1.00
- ANTI-COMBINE SOAP—7 full sized bars
for25¢

- SUPERFINE TOILET SOAP—9 cakes
for25¢
- CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S FRESH
HERRINGS—2 tins for25¢
- RED CROSS SALMON—2 tins for...25¢
- NICE CRISP GINGER SNAPS—3 lbs.
for25¢
- A full assortment of Christie Brown's
Biscuits just to hand.
- KORN KINKS—6 pkts. for.....25¢
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CHOW OR RELISH—Per bottle...35¢
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- CHICKEN TOMALES—Fresh every day,
each20¢
- NICE PARSNIPS—8 lbs. for.....25¢
- ESSENCES—All flavors, per bottle, 20¢,
35¢ and50¢
- RAMS LALS PURE INDIAN TEA—Blue
tin, 3 lbs. for.....\$1.00
- Gold Label, per lb.50¢
- Gold Label, 3 lb. tin\$1.40
- Gold Label, 5 lb. tin\$2.25
- OUR SPECIAL LOOSE TEA—4 lbs.
for\$1.00
- JAVA AND MOCHA COFFEE—Per lb.,
at40¢

- RED LABEL COFFEE—1 lb. tin, ground
or bean, per lb.....25¢
- TAYLOR'S ENGLISH COCOA—4 quarter
pound packets for.....25¢
- SUCHARD'S COCOA—1/4 lb. tin...25¢
- 1/2 lb. tin45¢
- 1 lb. tin90¢
- PEAS, CORN AND BEANS—Per can,
at10¢
- TOMATOES—Tartan Brand, 2 large tins
for25¢
- ARMOUR'S PORK AND BEANS—3 tins
for25¢
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for15¢

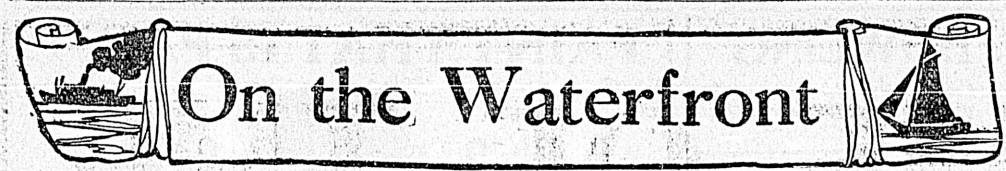
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OR PLUMS—2 lb. tins, each.....20¢
- Tartan canned goods are the finest packed.
- CHIVER'S ENGLISH MARMALADE—
1 lb. glass jar15¢
- CHIVER'S ENGLISH RASPBERRY OR
STRAWBERRY JAM—1 lb. glass jars,
2 for35¢
- PURE NEW ZEALAND JAM—4 lb. tin
for50¢
- SHOULDER HAMS—Per lb.11¢
- ROYAL BRAND BACON—Per lb....20¢
- ROYAL BRAND HAMS—Per lb....17¢
- VEAL OR HAM LOAF—Per can...15¢
- JELLIED VEAL—1 lb. tin.....20¢
or 2 for35¢
- JELLIED TENDERLOIN—Per tin...45¢
- This is the finest canned meat put up.
- DEVILLED HAM—1/2 lb. tin.....10¢
- POTTED MEAT—1/4 lb., 4 tins for...25¢
- FRESH ROASTED PEANUTS—Per lb.,
at15¢
- SHELLED ALMONDS OR WALNUTS
—Per lb.40¢
- FRESH OLYMPIA OYSTERS—Per jar,
25¢ and50¢
- PURE BLACK PEPPER—Per lb....25¢
- COLMAN'S MUSTARD—1/2 lb. tin...25¢

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EXPEDITION TO SOUTH POLE

Former Sealer Nimrod Carried Lieut. Shackleton and His Party to Ice

THEY HAD STEEL MOTORS

Adventurous Trip of Explorers With Special Appliances to Make Dash

Victorians who remember the coming of Capt. Buckley, who took the Chinese ponies and supplies to Lieut. Shackleton's expedition, to this city some months ago on the Canadian-Australian liner Aorangi will recall how confidently he expressed himself that the intrepid naval officer would discover the South pole. The Nimrod, in which he sailed from New Zealand last December, is a stout-breasted sealer. This vessel was taken to the base depot under the towering ice-cliffs of King Edward VII Land, from where the dash for the pole took place, with automobiles of a novel pattern, China ponies, special instruments and everything science could lend to aid the enterprise.

Over this great venture there has been no flourish of trumpets; and yet it is doubtful if any such attempt were ever more certain of success. Its leader, Lieutenant Shackleton, was with Captain Scott in the Discovery; and both men made a daring attempt to reach the Southern magnetic pole under truly terrifying conditions. For one hundred and twenty days they lived in utter darkness. So bitter was the wind that their breath blew back and froze on their faces. The dried white spots of frost-bite appeared on many, with disabling effects. One man was killed; all were smitten with snow-blindness. And it was only by a miracle that they got back to the ship.

The Farthest South. Captain Scott's "Farthest South" was 82 degrees, seventeen minutes, or 450 miles from the pole. To reach that point he traveled with dog-sledges over the ice for 380 miles, taking fifty-nine days on the trip. It was only the collapse of his dogs and the failure of dog supplies that forced Scott to return. Then it was that the motor car occurred to these fearless pioneers. Even when planting the British flag on the farthest point south as yet trodden by the foot of man, they saw vast stretches of level ice utterly unlike the mountainous hummocks of the frozen north.

The chief obstacle in their way was a towering range of peaks, wreathed in blizzards and frightful storms up to a height of 15,000 feet. But it was considered these could be turned or avoided. Naturally then, Shackleton, the second in command, asked himself what was to prevent a specially designed and equipped sledge from being used in three or four days, the journey which Captain Scott had taken twenty times as long to do?

The action of explosion-engines in extreme cold could easily be tested in laboratories at home; and as to a possible break-down—what explorer would have the name ever detected by mere risk of failure? Had not Scott himself with Shackleton and Dr. Wilson already faced the deadliest of perils in this dread lifeless land? They dashed south leaving depots of provisions on the way; and had they missed any one of these depots, they must have perished from the lingering tortures of hunger, intensified by cold.

As a result of all this experience, plus a close study of Antarctic work, from that of Sir James Ross in the forties to the heroic voyage of the Arctic, was sent to Manchuria and the icy plains of Eastern Siberia to test the strength of the land journey, and sleighs of phenomenal strength, considering their lightness, were specially built in Norway. As to the stout-hearted old sealer Nimrod herself she may be called the sum total of all polar lessons, honours and plaudits. A special compass platform has been built upon her, forty feet above the deck, and all fittings near it are of brass instead of iron. Regular magnetic observations were to be taken at frequent intervals; and every five hundred miles or so the vessel was to be swung for deviation and variation.

The Personnel. All told, the expedition numbers 22 men, including several scientists of international reputation. Only twelve were landed and for these a special shelter was built on King Edward VII Land. This was a wooden structure, 33 feet long by 19 feet wide, with double doors and windows, lined with the thickest felt and several layers of granulated cork.

Foremost among the novelties in the equipment of the Shackleton expedition, though, were the steel motor cars, specially hardened to withstand an enormous degree of cold. They transported no passengers, being solely for the haulage of stores and provisions—a matter of vital importance, as witnessed by the terrible outbreak of scurvy among the members of the Discovery expedition.

These motor cars—the very first to be used in polar exploration—have special sets of wheels for varying quantities of ground or ice. And when wheels are impossible altogether, sledge runners may be fitted instead, hauling their long trains of sledges over the ice driven by twenty-horse power motors of unique pattern, specially designed for the purpose.

Nothing has been left to chance. The petrol has been tested in amazingly low temperatures, artificially produced by chemists of the British government. Great reliance is placed upon them; but even should they fail there were the Chinese ponies to fall back upon. These travel much faster and farther than the dogs usually employed all through the long and thrilling history of polar exploration;

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist. Tootoosh, 8 a.m.—Clear, wind northeast, 12 miles an hour. Inward, steamer Shynayak, at 5.15 a.m., hooked on to schooner Routh E. Godfrey off Neah Bay at 6.40 a.m.

Tootoosh, noon—Clear, wind northwest, 7 miles an hour. In, steamer Watson, at 9.40 a.m. Out, barkentine J. M. Griffiths.

Tootoosh, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northwest, 22 miles an hour. In, schooner Manila, at 1.50 p.m., steamer Maverick at 1.50 p.m.

By Wireless. Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Clear, strong north wind. Bar 29.58, temp. 41.

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Clear and calm. Bar 29.70, temp. 39. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Tootoosh, 8 a.m.—Clear, wind northeast, 12 miles an hour. Bar 29.76, temp. 43. Sea smooth. In, three-masted steam schooner at 5.45 a.m.; barkentine J. V. Griffiths at 6.45 a.m., towing.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy, calm. Bar 29.79, temp. 47. A heavy swell.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Clear and calm. Bar 29.60, temp. 39.

Cape Lazo, noon—Clear, a southwest wind. Bar 29.75, temp. 47. At 10.15 a.m. spoke steamer Rupert City at Union bay, northbound.

Point Grey, noon—Clear, and northerly breeze. Bar 29.64, temp. 52.

Tootoosh, noon—Clear, wind northeast, 12 miles an hour. Bar 29.81, temp. 43. In the steamer Watson, at 9.40 a.m.

Pachena, noon—Clear, calm, west breeze. Bar 29.66, temp. 46. Heavy swell.

Estevan, noon—Clear, fresh northwest wind. Bar 29.86, temp. 49. Heavy swell.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind southwest. Bar 29.87, temp. 41. Steamer Bertha, north, at 5.45; steamer Rupert City left Union at 5.50, northbound.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northwest. Bar 29.71, temp. 44.

Tootoosh, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northwest, 22 miles an hour. Bar 29.85, temp. 49. Heavy swell. In, steamer Maverick, at 1.15 p.m.; schooner Manila, at 1.50.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northwest. Bar 29.81, temp. 47. Sea rough. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Northwest wind. Bar 29.87, temp. 46. A heavy swell. Sea very rough.

and moreover these sturdy little horses from the Manchurian plains require proportionately much less to eat. In Shackleton himself, with Captain England, his commander, and Dunlop, the engineer, the expedition has a trio of unique experience and daring; so that no matter what surprises the mysterious Southern continent may have had in store when its great ice-mantle was crossed and its terrible volcanses circumscribed, it was hard to see in the opinion of Capt. Buckley, how success can elude these explorers.

The Itinerary. They mapped a most determined assault on that awful fortress of ice-cliffs, whose outposts are smoking Erebus and Terror. The Discovery, by the way, only approached the South polar continent at King Edward VII Land under gravest risk of utter destruction. Some of the coating bergs were seven miles long and three hundred feet high! The ship could only crawl a mile an hour for days on end, and she anchored at last under a sheer cliff of solid ice, 3,000 feet high!

During the four months of Antarctic night Lieut. Shackleton's landing party lived in their felt huts and tents devoting this season to scientific studies. Three men—magnetician, biologist and geologist—worked systematically within a radius of one hundred miles from winter headquarters; and when the southward rush for the pole was decided upon, long lines of laden sledges were hitched to the panting motor cars, and ten-mile marches accomplished over a terrible country until the flag was hoisted and the expedition camps at the southern magnetic pole in April next.

It was hoped that the Nimrod would turn her head homeward about the end of January, 1909. In any event, visions for fully two years were carried; and the expedition also had a big lifeboat with a motor, and enough provisions to keep the landing party of twelve for nearly three months.

On the way home, an erratic course was to be taken and soundings made in the hope of finding out whether the many patches of land which have been sighted by pioneers in the past, do really form part of that great mysterious Antarctic continent.

ONLY ONE MORE LINER FOR SERVICE

Jebson Company Will Add Another Vessel and Be Agents For Te-huan-tea Fleet

The report that four more steamers would be added to the Te-huan-tea line, which the steamers Ella and Erna are operating between this port and Corinto, in Nicaragua, via a large number of ports of call in the south, is considered to have been due to a misapprehension. The report came from San Diego, where Mr. Jebson, manager of the line, who is bound north, on the Ella in company with Mr. Wm. J. Moore, general manager of the Tehuantepec National railroad, in an interview with a correspondent was reported to have stated that four more steamers would be used. It is considered that what Mr. Jebson meant to convey was that one more steamer would be added to the Ella and Erna in this service and his company would act as agents for the three steamers chartered by the Tehuantepec National railroad, for the service between Salina Cruz and the Orient to be established on April 18 with the sailing of the steamer Sikh. Other steamers to be used are the Errol and Atholl.

CHINESE RETURNING TO THE DOMINION

Over a Thousand Now on Way Across Pacific Bound Back From South China

The returning movement of Chinese who went to Canton to spend their New Year holidays in the home villages of the South China province is beginning and there are now, according to reports received here by local steamship agents from the far east, over a thousand Celestials on the way back to the Dominion. The R.M.S. Empress of India, which sailed from Yokohama on Sunday, has 435 Chinese in her storage quarters, and the Blue Funnel liner Bellerophon, which will follow the Oanfa across the Pacific, is reported to have over 600 Chinese booked as passengers for this city. The Empress of India is bringing a large shipment of silk, about 1,500 bales valued at about three-quarters of a million dollars, and a full cargo of general freight. She has 20 saloon passengers. The outbound Empress liner, the Empress of China, has been delayed a day owing to the late arrival of the Overseas mails and will leave the outer wharf on Thursday for the Orient. The white liner will have a full cargo of flour and general merchandise.

REPORTER WANTED FILES AND HE GOT THEM

Capt. Lycett, of Blue Funnel Liner, Was Willing to Oblige the Newspaperman

The Tacoma Ledger prints the following with regard to a local newspaper reporter, who, by the way, was not connected with the Colonist: "An energetic newspaper man at Victoria yesterday morning caused considerable amusement on board the Oanfa by falling victim to Capt. Lycett's dry humor. As a usual thing when an Oriental steamer arrives at Victoria the newspaper men gather up all the Oriental newspapers which happen to be aboard for news items which have not found their way across the Pacific by cable. This particular newspaper man was late and arrived at the dock after the publications had been gathered up by his rival. He greeted Capt. Lycett, apologized for being late and then added, 'I am late, but I hope you have some files on board.'"

"Certainly," replied Capt. Lycett and, turning, he called a Chinese boy, to whom he gave the following orders: "Go below and tell the engineer to give you two files, a smooth one and a rough one—but the newspaper man had retreated."

OUTER WHARF WILL HAVE BUSY SEASON

The Keemun is Expected To-day to Load Outward Cargo

The next few days will be busy ones at the Outer wharf. The Blue Funnel line steamer Keemun, Capt. Conrad, is expected in port today, outbound to Liverpool via the far east, and will load 400 tons of general freight here. In addition to the cargo already loaded at this port. The bulk of the freight to be put on board today is salt salmon. Tomorrow the steamer Oanfa, Capt. Lycett, is expected back from Tacoma to discharge 1250 tons of general freight, mostly from the United Kingdom, consigned to local merchants. After discharging at the Outer wharf the steamer will proceed to the end of the week to Vancouver with 4000 tons of cargo, including a large shipment of steel rails for the mainland port.

The steamer Georgia, of the Canadian-Mexican line, from Salina Cruz and way ports of the Mexican coast, is fully due and is expected at any time. The steamer Ella of the Jebson line from Nicaragua via Honduras, Salvador, Guatemala and Mexican ports, left San Francisco yesterday morning for this port and is due here on Friday. The Ella is bringing a large cargo north, including 1500 tons of concentrates, 4000 sacks of plaster, jute, ore and general freight.

The steamer Montague of the C. P. R., is expected on Friday or Saturday from Hongkong and way ports.

GYMERIC RETURNS TO HONG KONG DISABLED

The steamer Gymeric of the Bank line operated by Andrew Weir & Co., returned to Hongkong on Monday from her homeward voyage to this port, according to private advices received here. The Gymeric left the far east on Saturday bound here via the usual ports of call in Japan. She was the first of the fleet to leave under the new schedule whereby the Bank liners will call at this port and then proceed to Vancouver before going to Tacoma. It is reported that a traffic agreement is to be made with the C.P.R. for handling the overland freight of the Bank liners.

EVERETT G. GRIGGS PASSED SCILLY ISLANDS

Local Barkentine Carrying Cargo of Barley to Queenstown is Reported

The big six-masted barkentine Everett G. Griggs, of Victoria, B. C., largest vessel of her class in the world, passed Scilly yesterday on her way to Queenstown with a cargo of barley from San Francisco, according to advices received by local owners of the big barkentine. The Everett G. Griggs was last sighted December 20, 57 south with all well on board. She left San Francisco on October 30, and made the voyage in 144 days. The

Griggs was formerly the German bark Columbia, which was dismantled during a heavy gale when on the way to Royal Roads from Kobe and was towed into Esquimalt in distress and sold as a local sailing ship, renamed the vessel the Lord Wolsley. She was afterward converted into a six-masted barkentine and renamed the Everett G. Griggs, after the well-known Tacoma lumberman.

JEBSEN LINER HELD BY SALVADOR OFFICIALS

The steamer Ella, of the Jebson line, which is expected on Thursday from Corinto via Nicaragua, Salvador, Honduras and Mexican ports, was held for an hour at La Union, Salvador, while officials of the Central American republic took possession of her papers and the vessel was ordered not to attempt to land or leave the harbor, and allowed to proceed on her way only when an examination of the papers had convinced the Salvadoran zealous that she was on a harmless errand.

The Ella was seized as soon as she entered the harbor of La Union, and an armed guard of infantry was placed on board, while the port officials prevented the ship's papers and went ashore to examine them, admonishing all aboard the Ella not to attempt to leave the vessel.

"After the officials had rowed away," said Capt. Bruhn, "the soldiers left to guard proceeded to question those on board in a manner that indicated that the vessel was suspected of carrying Nicaraguan belligerents or spies."

In an hour or so the officials returned to the ship, the papers were restored and the Ella proceeded on her way northward.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS

Vessel	Steamers to Arrive	Due
Montague	From Australia	Mar. 26
Kaga Maru	From Australia	Mar. 31
Aorangi	From Australia	April 8
Indravalli	From Australia	April 8
Marmara	From Australia	May 4
Makura	From Mexico	June 1
Georgia	From Mexico	Mar. 23
Katanga	From Mexico	Mar. 23
Princess May	From Skagway	Mar. 26
Princess Beatrice	From Northern British Columbia	Mar. 31
Queen City	From West Coast	Mar. 26
Amur	From San Francisco	Mar. 29
Queen	From Mauritius	Mar. 27
Str. Clan McFarlane	From New York	Mar. 23
Str. Foxton Hall	From New York	Mar. 23

Vessel	Sailing Vessels	Date
Euphrosyne	Callao	Feb. 4
David Evans	Callao	Feb. 4
Procyon	Callao	Jan. 24
Schurlock	Santa Rosalia	Jan. 24
Wray Castle	Liverpool	Jan. 24

Vessel	For the Orient	Date
Iyo Maru	For Australia	Mar. 30
Moana	For Australia	Mar. 10
Makura	For Mexico	Mar. 28
Aorangi	For Mexico	April 23
Ella	For Skagway	April 2
Princess May	For Northern British Columbia	Mar. 27
Princess Beatrice	For Northern British Columbia	Mar. 31
Queen City	For West Coast	Mar. 26
Vadso	For West Coast	Mar. 25
St. Denis	For West Coast	April 1
Amur	For San Francisco	April 1
City of Puebla	For San Francisco	Mar. 21

S. S. Princess Royal.		
Leave Victoria	3:30 p. m.	daily except Tuesday. Arrive Seattle 9 p. m. daily except Tuesday.
Leave Seattle	10 p. m.	daily except Tuesday. Arrive Vancouver 7:30 a. m. daily except Wednesday.
Leave Vancouver	9 a. m.	daily except Wednesday. Arrive Victoria 2:15 p. m. daily except Wednesday.
S. S. Princess Victoria.		
Leave Victoria	2 p. m.	daily except Monday. Arrive Vancouver 7 p. m. daily except Monday.
Leave Vancouver	10 p. m.	daily except Monday. Arrive Seattle 7:30 a. m. daily except Tuesday.
Leave Seattle	8:30 a. m.	daily except Tuesday. Arrive Victoria 1 p. m. daily except Tuesday.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. W. Blakemore left last night for the Terminal City.

Mrs. and Miss Hinckman from Port Angeles, are visitors in the city.

Mr. H. D. Sutton from New York, is in town on a short business trip.

Mr. H. L. Tibbals, Jr., is over here from Port Townsend on a short visit.

Hon. F. J. Fulton left last night on the Charmer for Vancouver.

Mrs. Johns went over to Vancouver last night on a visit to friends.

Mr. John R. Fraser, of New York, is at the Empress.

Mr. Alexander Craig, of Sidney, is at the Dominion.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Laing left last night on a short trip to Agassiz.

Major Audain left last night for Short's Point, Okanagan Lake.

R. T. Cooper, of Vancouver, is at the King Edward.

O. E. Beer, of Winnipeg, is in the city. He is staying at the King Edward.

Mr. C. E. Cotching from Calcutta, is in Victoria and is staying at the Driford Hotel.

W. Butler was in the city yesterday. He returned to his home at Keatings by the afternoon V. & S. train.

J. W. Crawford was among the outgoing passengers by the B. & S. railway yesterday afternoon.

Mr. R. W. Douglas, of Toronto, called at the Tourist association's rooms yesterday.

Mr. J. L. Parker, mining engineer, left on Monday evening for Alberta to examine a coal mining property.

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connor, from New York, are visiting in Victoria and are guests at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Callagher from St. Paul, Minn., are spending a few days with friends in town.

Mr. R. S. Coxon, who has been over on a short business trip to the Capital returned last night to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Longworth arrived from Brandon yesterday. They are staying at the Empress.

Chas. A. Kinnear came over from Seattle yesterday. He is staying at the Empress.

V. C. Maddock, real estate agent, left yesterday on a business trip to Toronto via the C.P.R.

Mr. F. G. Aldous, of Prince Rupert, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the Driford.

Mr. R. D. McClure, of Ashcroft, arrived in town last evening, and is staying at the Dominion.

Mr. Landau arrived in town last evening from Montreal and is staying at the Empress.

Miss McKibbin, of Winnipeg, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the Empress.

H. S. Griffiths, architect, went over to Vancouver last night on the Charmer.

Mr. A. H. Stevenson, of Shoal Lake, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the King Edward.

Mr. A. E. Beer, of Winnipeg, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the King Edward.

Mr. James Callender came down from Ladysmith yesterday and is staying at the King Edward.

Mr. J. Ashcroft, of Nelson, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the Dominion.

Mrs. J. Flynn, of New York, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the Dominion.

Mr. O. B. Osborn, of Minneapolis, arrived in town last evening and is staying at the Dominion.

Miss Mackenzie came over from Salt Spring Island yesterday and is staying at the Balmoral.

Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Layard came over to town from Salt Spring Island yesterday and are staying at the Balmoral.

Messrs. R. A. Gallant and H. E. Hornell came down from Chemainus yesterday and are staying at the King Edward.

L. G. Wilkinson and L. Simeon left yesterday via the C.P.R. and the Allan liner Lake Champlain on an extended visit to the Old Country.

Alexander Young, of the local staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, left yesterday for Portland, Ore., whither he has been transferred.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Goodland, from Chilliwack are visiting the city and during their stay here are registered at the Empress.

A. S. J. Holt, general agent at Seattle, of the Pennsylvania railway system, spent yesterday in the city on one of his customary business trips.

S. J. Martineau, of Sidney, after spending a few days in the city, returned home by the V. & S. yesterday afternoon.

Rev. A. Madden, of Vancouver, is in the city for a few days. He is among those staying at the King Edward hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Beasley and Miss Beasley arrived from Vancouver yesterday. They are staying at the Empress.

Hon. F. J. Fulton, K.C., chief commissioner of lands, left Victoria by last night's boat. He expects to be back in Victoria by the end of the week.

Among the passengers on the Charmer last night were: Mrs. Scott, Miss Hoppling, F. W. Tiffin, W. W. Duncan, T. W. Jones, J. W. Sterling, A. W. Carter.

Mrs. F. Riser and Miss Isabel Ken-

worthy have returned to the city from Cumberland, where they have for some time been the guests of Mrs. Riser's sister, Mrs. C. R. Bishop.

R. A. Gallant and H. E. Hornell, of Chemainus, were among those who arrived in the city by the E. & N. railway at noon yesterday. They are guests at the King Edward hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lanigan, of Winnipeg, arrived in Victoria yesterday. Mr. Lanigan is general traffic and freight agent for the C.P.R. with headquarters at the western metropolis.

A novelty social will be held this evening by the Ladies' Aid and Christian Endeavor of St. Columba's church, Oak Bay. A good programme has been prepared and a pleasant evening is assured to all.

Charles Thomas, formerly of this city, who has been making a short visit here, left yesterday via the Northern Pacific for Cape Disappointment, at the mouth of the Columbia river, where he is in charge of the government wireless station.

Mrs. Pratt was hostess at her residence in Russel street, last evening, for the monthly social which is held in connection with St. Paul's church, Victoria West. A charming musical programme was rendered and a delightful evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gardner, Dr. Lillendahl and R. K. Valentine, of New York, and E. Squier, of Saltillo, Mexico, registered at the Empress yesterday. The party was here about a week ago and are understood to be negotiating for a lease of the Victoria theatre with a view to putting in a stock company here this summer.

A pleasant surprise party was given on Miss Emma Griffiths, Saanich road, by a number of her friends last Monday evening. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening. Refreshments were served at midnight, after which dancing was resumed and kept up until the wee sma' oors. All went home tired out, but well pleased, everyone having had a most enjoyable time. Among those present were the following: Mrs. Christopher, the Misses Ethel Blake, Edna Blake, Lucy Cousins, Ruby Caine, Annie Dakers, Frances Norris, and Kate Simpson; Messrs. S. Anderson, W. Blake, C. Cousins, H. Cousins, A. Dakers, J. Dakers, James Dakers, P. Mahon, C. McConnell, C. Phipps, B. Stapleton and C. Surphills.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Criticism.

Sir—I notice in one of your leaders of the Sunday Colonist you call the attention of the general public to the fact that Admiral Evans, late of the U. S. Navy, will give a lecture at the Victoria theatre on Monday evening. Personally Admiral Evans may be all that you say, but the cause for which he is lecturing, a most worthy one. But, why is it that anything from over the line is gone into raptures over whilst anything British gets passed unheeded. We often hear the question asked: Are we really Americanized (Question)?

Of course, the press protests against any such thing. But, sir, it is strange that so much publicity should be given to things from over the line, whilst a British concert of a few short weeks ago, in just as good a cause, should be allowed to die a natural death. Do we show our loyalty by hiring a water expert from the United States; water tank engineer from the United States; water metres from the United States; water pumps from the United States; fire engines from the United States; style of dress-making and other things too numerous to mention.

Hoping you will see this in a public and fair-minded way.

GEORGE E. MOORE.

A Letter of Protest.

Sir—I regret that I was not present at the lecture delivered by Admiral Evans at the Victoria theatre last night. I enter my protest against the following statement which I must take for granted as having been made: "The same sort of thing often happens in the case of missionaries out in China, as well as in other heathen countries. They keep on preaching, and then after a time, in their anxiety to inject Christianity into the poor heathen, they call for the gunboats and get us to shoot it in."

I am aware that on one occasion the late Lord Salisbury in the heat of debate in the House of Lords made a similar statement, although, of course, not in such vulgar terms—a statement which he afterward regretted that he had made. It so happens that a little while ago no less a man than the Hon. William Taft, now President of the U. S. A., in an address met this very point in the following words:

"Two or three things make one impatient when he understands the facts. One is the criticism that the missionary is constantly involving governments in trouble and constantly bringing about war. The truth is that western civilization is trade is pressing into the Orient, and the agents that are sent forward, I am sorry to say, are not the best representatives of western civilization. The Americans and Englishmen and others who live in the Orient are many of them excellent, honest, God-fearing men, but there are in that set of advance agents of western civilization, far beyond the point of safety, if an uprising takes place, and who have learned by association with the natives, by living with them, by bringing them into their homes, by helping them on their feet, who have learned what the secret of Chinese life is; and therefore it is that the only reliable books that you can read telling you exactly the condition of the Chinese civilization, are written by these foreign missionaries who have been so much blamed for involving us in foreign wars. It is said that the Boxer war was due to the interference of the missionaries and the feeling of the Chinese against the Christian religion as manifested and exemplified by the missionaries. That is not true. It is true that the first outbreak was against the missionaries, because the outbreak was against foreign interference, and it was easiest to attack those men who were furthest from the Chinese nation. But that which really aroused the opposition of the Chinese was the feeling that all of us Christian nations were sitting around waiting to divide up the middle kingdom and waiting to get our piece of the pork. Now that is the feeling that the Chinese have, and I am not prepared to say that there was not some ground for the suspicion."

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this long quotation. It is not too much to say that it is the opinion of every high-minded man who has held office, British or American, in the Orient, from Lord Lawrence to the Hon. William Taft, who speaks from experience in the diplomatic service in China and the Philippines. W. W. COLUMBIA. Bismarck, Victoria, B. C., March 23, 1909.

HOW UNREST IS SOWN IN INDIA

Fakirs Employed to Arouse Minds of Simple Villagers By Artful Lies

London, March 23.—The methods of those who are intent on poisoning the minds of the millions of India against British rule are strikingly illustrated in a story which has just appeared here.

The situation which gives the writer the story is as follows: Private James Smith had fallen out of the ranks in the course of some cavalry manoeuvres, and was striding along with his lame horse in the hope of finding the camp. As a matter of fact, he was lost, and some time after dark had fallen he reached a native village.

On the same day a fakir, "filthy to an unspeakable degree," had arrived in the village, and at the moment that Private James Smith reached it was haranguing the natives on the wrongs of India.

His hearers, standing and sitting around him in picturesque groups, dwelt upon his words, and swallowed his statements eagerly. They saw themselves robbed of their little stock of hard-earned money; they saw themselves preyed upon by a government of foreigners, and despoiled to make fat an unknown Lord-Sahib and a King who dwelt across the seas.

Truth and lies rolled together and in turn from his glib and polished tongue. He demonstrated beyond refutation how famine had been introduced into the country with the sole view of stamping out the population. He showed how, not content with the progress of the scourge with which it was seeking to kill off the people, the government had invented a certain thing called inoculation with the sole view of slaying the people by more direct means.

But, he went on, that was not all; worse things were being done. When the government saw that people were not deceived it began to do something yet more devilish. They sent out emissaries to—here, with an orator's instinct for effect, he paused—to poison the village wells!

It was at this moment that Private James Smith stumbled into the village, and the fakir took instant advantage of the dramatic possibilities of the situation.

"Hush! Watch him, and see if he goes not to the well?" he whispered. Naturally that is exactly what Smith did. The bucket was lowered three times before his thirst and that of his horse had been satisfied.

The result was that Private James Smith was attacked and tied up, and then the fakir led his audience to the well to prove that it had been poisoned. Truly, this pseudo-fakir was a useful man to those who were listening. He was not one of the posturing devotes who acquire merit and earn sanctity by measuring their length along the road all the way from Calcutta to Benares, or by some similarly foolish and impressive act. He was of another breed—a new breed that has sprung into existence, of recent years, a breed the members of which are sent out from various countries to poison the minds of the country folk, to tell them the "real truth" about the Foreigner and the aims of his rule.

The bucket was again lowered. It was easy for the fakir to drop several little bread pills into it, and then it was raised. Floating on the surface were half a dozen little objects that bobbed innocently in the ripples, and showed white in the light of the lantern. A roar broke from the crowd; the water was poisoned!—had been poisoned before their eyes by a soldier! There was the poison in the bucket, evidence irrefragable of the truth of statements they had been ready to believe profess.

Private James Smith was dragged out and brutally ill-treated by the villagers and the fakir. The villagers wanted to make him drink of the "poisoned" water, but the fakir was against this. Throw him down the well, was his advice. "The well is useless to you, henceforth, for it is already foul with poison. Therefore drop him in it."

Now the fakir was only too eager that the village should be enrolled with the authorities; he knew that the villagers would be much too simple and too avaricious to sacrifice Private Smith's horse, for it would be of use to them. Consequently, when search was made for Private Smith, his horse would be found in or near the village. That, in its turn, would almost certainly lead eventually to the dragging of the well and the fishing up of a soldier's body. Then there would be the devil to pay, with the ultimate result that the village would really become angry and disaffected with the government. That would be so many men gained.

But Private James Smith was not thrown down the well. He was rescued by a night patrol which happened on the village in the nick of time. The upshot was, firstly, that Private Smith was stiff and sore for several days; secondly, that the village had quartered upon it a force of punitive police, to show them that traitor soldiers must not be bound or drowned in that off-hand way; thirdly, that the fakir, who turned out to be a defaulting babu from a commercial office in Calcutta, was sent to the Andamans for ten years.

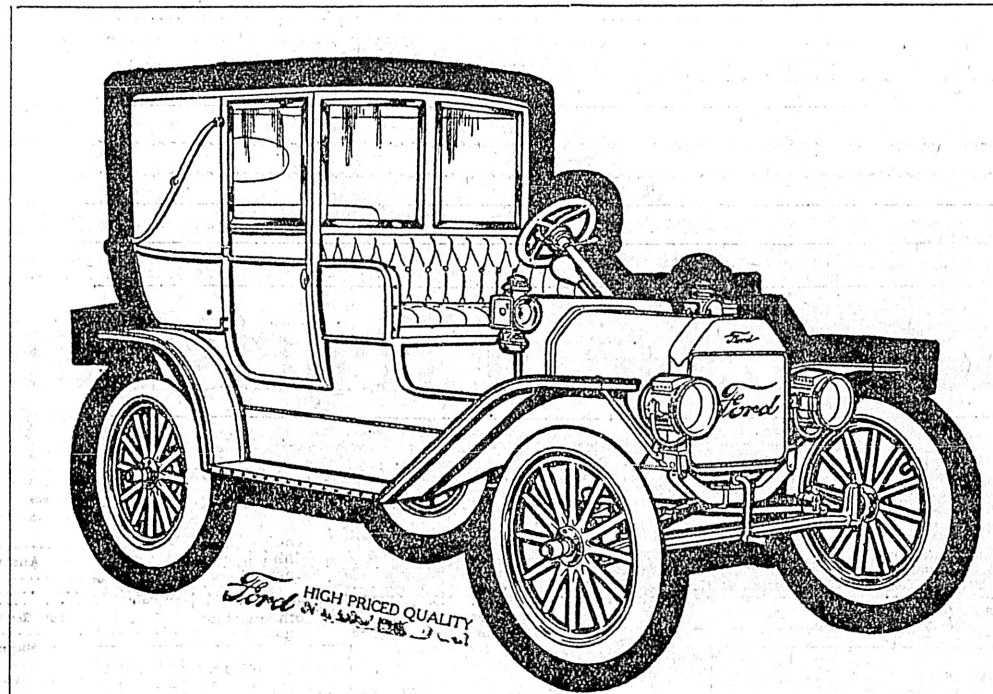
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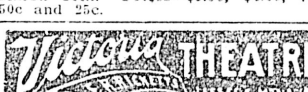
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slight, covered by insurance. Latimer & Ney's real estate office was also one of the minor losses. H. M. Wilson, locksmith and machinist, had a loss of several hundred dollars, and E. M. Johnson, real estate and financial agent, sustained loss of several hundred dollars in fixtures, etc., covered by insurance. He saved the bulk of his office furniture, safe, etc. The safe of the Pacific club, slightly warped owing to the heat, fell through the floor and was recovered and taken to the office of James Murray. The books and other contents are believed to be all right. The safes in most of the offices were recovered.

PREPARES PLANS FOR FOUR-STOREY BUILDING

While the embers of the burning building were blazing plans were being prepared for a new four-storey office building to be erected by J. D. Pemberton & Co. on the site of the burned premises.

The new building will be a modern structure of brick and stone, four storeys high and with basement. The stores, and the two floors above to stores, and the two floors above to offices, while the upper floor will be occupied by the Pacific club.

George Mesher, the contractor, was sent for and began preparations for tearing down the destroyed building, while plans were being prepared for the new office building, which will be of an ornate and modern description, with elevator, and all the requirements of an up-to-date structure.

Temporary Offices.
Pemberton & Sons at present occupy temporary offices at No. 634 Fort street, on the corner opposite their former place of business.

John Culbert has office room with the Westholme Lumber company, Douglas and Courtenay streets.

were so upset by the fire that they went home.

The fifty or more who practiced luncheon at the club wandered like lost ones when the loosening of the waistcoat betrayed that noon was nigh.

"We can't get luncheon at the club, can we?" said the photographer.

"The president says lunch will not be served today," said the real-estate man, "so I guess we'd better go somewhere else."

A little group sat and figured out the places where luncheon was served. There's the Empress, the New England, the—, and they went through a long list. "I don't know where to go."

"Why not go home?" said the survivor.

"Sure, I never thought of that!"—and they ran for a street car.

Several overcoats were destroyed. Owing to the balmy weather various members had left their overcoats hanging in the cloakroom, and now there is no cloakroom. A number of umbrellas also were burned up.

Meanwhile the members are not gloomy over their losses. There is considerable insurance, within \$5,000 of the total loss, and the club has enough in the treasury to make good the balance. The splendid furnishings and billiard tables, etc., will be replaced as soon as the new building is erected, and the club will resume its old time luxury before many months have gone.

A splendid collection of mounted heads, mountain goat, elk, caribou, etc., which included some of the finest specimens in the province, will be mourned, though.

All morning members came and went after looking sorrowfully at the ruins.

"It's too bad, isn't it," said a bystander, as he watched the sorrowful gaze of the clubmen.

"It sure is," said a member, "I can't tell my wife I'm at the club tonight."

FIRE NOTES

It was on March 23 and the alarm

and fashionable audience at the Victoria theatre last night were enraptured by her playing. She was encouraged again and again. It is difficult to select any number and give it the first place, when everything was so admirably played, but perhaps the second movement in the concerto in E minor by Mendelssohn, the Vassago by Tor Aulin, the Menuet by Beethoven and the Souvenir de Moscou by Wieniawski, were the most effective. The latter is a magnificent production and was magnificently played.

Miss Hall was ably supported by Miss Lonie Basche, a pianist of much more than ordinary merit. As an accompanist she exhibits rare judgment, and as a soloist shows great power and originality. In her second number by Dvorak, and in Liszt's Rhapsodie Hungarise, No. 12, she was heard to best advantage, but all her numbers were excellent. She was very heartily encouraged.

Mr. Harold Bealey is a pleasing baritone, but the concert stage is hardly his place.

The Victoria Musical society is to be congratulated upon this splendid finish to their season's concerts.

Pantages Theatre.

The "Cycling Demon" is the appellation applied to Baisden a few years ago and he is still living up to the name. Assisted by his wife he is putting up a very thrilling act at Pantages and considering the handicap under which they work some of their exploits are dangerous even to recklessness. "A Silent Partner," a very novel comedy by clever players, "The Lionels," "A Straight Tip," another wholesome comedy play by Morris and Walton, is also very talented. Marty, the comic juggler, James Dixon in "Childhood," and some funny motion pictures all go toward a swell show.

MEETS REBEKAH LODGES

President of Order in the City Visiting Sisterhood

Mrs. M. E. Keith, of New Westminster,

act of prayer might pass away, the act of praise would undoubtedly be eternal! And the language which was used in those central passages and the consecration of the elements could not possibly be surpassed for beauty in expression, for sublimity and for appropriateness!

Stories by Father Caine

In Rev. Father Caine's sheaf of amusing stories the following merit quotation:

A passage upon one of his voyages by sea had brought on board of the steamer one of those musical instruments which certain evil-minded persons have even been heard to describe as instruments of torture, the bagpipes, and as he was playing a variety of airs, upon one of the afternoons, a lady was heard to exclaim:

"What elevating music!" and then she added musingly and with the slightest suspicion of a smile, perhaps, "but it does seem to me that the farther you get away from them the sweeter this music sounds!"

A priest in a certain part of Ireland had initiated a strong movement towards the more general observance in his parish of the 4th commandment, making in particular a vigorous attempt to break up the habit among the peasantry of dancing at the crossroads upon pleasant Sunday evenings. Coming unawares upon such a dancing party who had enlisted the services of a blind fiddler, all the young women and men disappeared as if by magic, leaving the fiddler alone at his post. Approaching this individual the priest said: "Do you know the Fourth Commandment?"

"I am not quite sure, sir," replied the fiddler, "but if you would only whistle it I think I could follow it!"

A clergyman in a far western Australian town

"Where there ain't no ten commandments!"

And a man can raise a thirst!"

was droning along in a very monotonous key, in reference to the prophets, and the congregation which was largely composed of miners, who, moreover,

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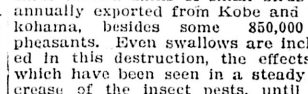
Protection of Japanese Birds

Tokio, March 23.—The Japanese department of Agriculture and Commerce has added several species to the list of birds whose capture or destruction is prohibited. This step has been taken in the interests of agriculture. It is explained by the department that France, Germany, and other countries in Europe formed a union some time ago for the protection of certain birds useful in preserving crops from insect pests. Consequently European feather merchants have turned to Japan and Korea for what they could no longer obtain at home, and it is said that between two and three million skins of small birds are annually exported from Kobe and Yokohama, besides some 850,000 of pheasants. Even swallows are included in this destruction, the effects of which have been seen in a steady increase of the insect pests, until the Government finds itself compelled to pay a considerable subsidy to keep the insects down by chemical means.

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The Pemberton Block Fire—View from the Corner of Fort and Broad Street at 6:30 a.m. Yesterday.

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Greer, Courtenay and Skene are located at 568 Government street.

P. V. Linklater, tailor, is in the B.C. Permanent Loan and Savings Building, Government street.

Clay's confectionery will be open today in the same place of business.

ALL PRECAUTIONS AT TRANSFER STABLES

When the fire was at its height and it seemed possible that a rising wind from the northwest would fan the flames across the intervening space to the Victoria Transfer company's building, despite the fact that the latter is as near fire-proof as every precaution can make it, it was deemed best to get the horses and rolling stock out of the building and into safety.

The staff of the transfer without confusion set to work and their ranks were rapidly swelled by dozens of former employees who came to their assistance. In an incredibly short space of time, the horses were taken to a place of safety.

To facilitate the work of getting the rolling stock to the ground floor, the B. C. Electric company were communicated with and with great courtesy, Mr. G. M. Tripp, the superintendent, had the plant started in order that the power might be turned on the big electric elevator.

In a few minutes the thousands of dollars worth of vehicles of every description were taken out of the building and safety was assured.

The precaution was needless, for despite the flying sparks, the roof did not kindle and the assistance of the force of men placed upon it to nip an outbreak in the bud, was not required.

SAD CLUBMEN MUST WANDER HOME

Rendered homeless by the destruction, 300 clubmen are orphaned by the disaster. The busy seeking temporary quarters and all are discussing the building that is to rise on the ashes of the past, better than before.

It is reported that several clubmen

number was 23. A "Skidoo" blaze, as one of the three firemen remarked.

It was a good natured crowd and the police had little trouble in keeping the roadways clear. No ropes were stretched, as has been stated, just the bulky form of the stalwart was needed to keep the spectators back.

Tea and coffee were served the tired firemen by the Maryland and Clay's restaurants and was much appreciated by the men, whose thirsts were in exact proportion to the amount of smoke which they were forced to inhale.

A portion of the ruined building was a landmark. That portion occupied by the offices of Pemberton & Sons and P. Linklater, tailor, has been standing twenty years, the balance of the block being erected about a year ago.

The fire proved a bonanza for the restaurant proprietors. Shortly before 6 o'clock hungry spectators of the blaze commenced to assemble. In the various resorts and for two hours the waiters were kept on the jump serving meals.

Office quarters were at a premium yesterday when the firms and individuals burnt out started on a hunt for new locations. By last evening all had secured temporary quarters and today will be again ready for business.

Anxious owners and occupants of adjoining premises watched the progress of the flames and took critical stock of the smouldering corners lighted by the heat of the fire. The corner of the Weller building across Broad street from the burning building was smoking freely but a stream from the fire hose put an end to possible trouble.

Negligent attire seemed the rule. Many of the spectators had taken no time to "make up" and neckties were at a decided discount.

AMUSEMENTS

The Marie Hall Concert

Miss Marie Hall is a delightful violinist. There is a warmth and sympathy about her playing that appeals to all who hear her. Her tones are rich and full, never aggressively strong, and often exquisitely tender. She is thoroughly human and seems to play because she loves to do so, her mind being more upon the production of music than upon her technique. Not that her technique is not of the highest class, for it is, but she seems to forget that there is such a thing. The large

ster, president of the Rebekah Assembly of the I. O. O. F. is in the city on a tour of the various Rebekah lodges of the province. Yesterday she was shown around the city by a number of the members of Colfax Rebekah lodge, and amongst other places the "Old Ladies' Home," being afterwards entertained at tea at the Empress.

She paid an official visit to Colfax Lodge last evening and was received with the usual honors. There was a large attendance and a good deal of business to be transacted. Five propositions for membership were received and three candidates were initiated, two ladies and one gentleman. Under "Good of the Order," Mrs. Keith delivered a stirring and fluent address, in which she sought to impress on her hearers the importance of the work in which they were engaged and the uplifting and elevating character of the order to which they belonged, which she claimed was second to none. The address was received with rapt attention and at its close the speaker received the thanks of the lodge.

After for some time the evening service was served by the ladies and the hour was late when the meeting dispersed.

ORDER OF THE COMMUNION

Bishop Perrin Considers Subject in a Lenten Address

In further consideration of the Order of the Communion Service in Christ church cathedral last evening Bishop Perrin took up the portion which directly leads up to the highest act of faith in the services of the Church, the consecration of the elements, and the partaking of them by the communicants. This portion of the Order opens with the declaration, "Lift up Your Hearts"—suspense, exalted—and the congregation's respond, "We lift them up unto the Lord!" Among the most ancient, as well as in all the Liturgies of the Christian Church which could apparently be traced back into the very days of the Apostles themselves this particular declaration was to be found, and there was even fair reason for believing that St. Paul himself had used the subsequent words of most solemn praise, the Ter-Sanctus, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts! Heaven and Earth are full of Thy Glory! Glory be to Thee, O Lord, Most High. Amen!" For while the

were not greatly in the habit of listening to sermons, was getting rather restless.

At this stage in the proceedings the clergyman said: "There are the Major Prophets, and there are the Minor Prophets." Now, brethren, where will we put Jeremiah?"

"You can just put him in my place," drawled a rather wearied miner, as he reached for his hat, "for I am going."

Statistics have no proper place in a lecture, declares Father Caine, and he proves his case with this illustration: "I was giving a lecture in a certain Australian town, upon a subject in which I was very deeply interested, and I ventured to indulge in a few items of statistics. But I had only mentioned a few upon my list when, for I have a quick eye, I observed a man in the audience quietly reaching for his hat, and taking the hint I at

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CLASSY TENNIS IS PROMISED THIS YEAR

Eastern Experts Will Be Attracted West By A.-Y.-P. Exposition

"I believe we're going to have an exceptionally fine lawn tennis season in the Pacific northwest," stated Bernard Schwengers, champion of British Columbia, yesterday afternoon.

The chief reason for his optimism was the conviction that the Alaska-Yukon exposition at Seattle would attract the fastest of the eastern players to the west. He thought that, once here, they would enter the principal open tournaments.

Mr. Schwengers pointed out that on the Atlantic seaboard they play on grass courts. Hence the British Columbia tournament would be peculiarly attractive to them.

"So," the champion continued, "look out for some exceptionally fast lawn tennis this year."

In addition to the usual tournaments at Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle, Tacoma, and Portland there will be one open to all-comers on the fair grounds at Seattle. Immediately following that, on the same courts, will take place the annual international event.

The two latter, Mr. Schwengers thought, were going to be the features of the season. At the all-comers there would come together the most celebrated tennis experts of the east and the west. The two continents would clash for the first time. Then would be decided the right of the argument that just as classy a game is played by the best of the westerners as is put up

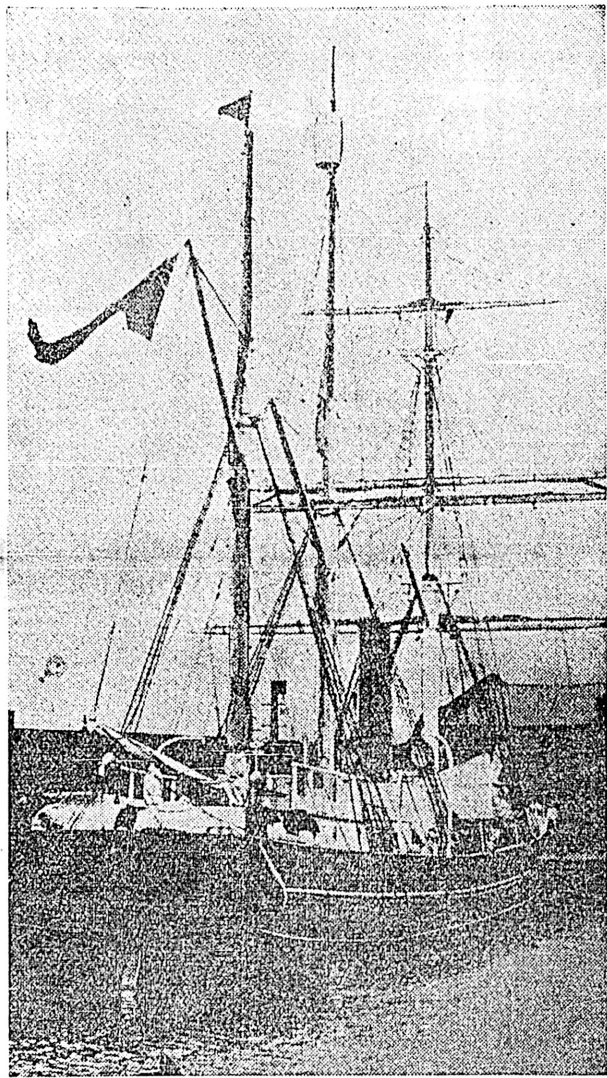
crews for the big university race is followed with the same keen popular interest. Although in recent years Cambridge has been a winner a great majority of times, just as Yale in the past has usually held the whip hand over Harvard upon the gridiron, the struggle next month promises to be unusually close, and those who place any considerable stock in rowing tradition see an added argument in Oxford's behalf in the fact that, as a rule three Cambridge wins in successive years have been followed by an Oxford victory. Oxford last won in 1905, and so, according to tradition, the Oxonians should win again.

Both Crews on Scene.

Both crews are already upon the scene of battle, and have been for two weeks now. The Cambridge oarsmen are at Putney; the Oxonians make their headquarters at Henley. The crews have been determined, no further change is likely, and the work now all is to put upon the rival eights the finishing touches. In this connection a word regarding English coaches and varsity coaching methods may not be out of place, in view of the increasing interest in rowing in America, as evinced especially by the boom the sport is now enjoying upon the Pacific coast.

The one most striking thing is their weight. Never before have Cambridge and Oxford been represented by such "beefy" boats, and there are those who deplore so much weight in a boat that is to go four and a half miles at top speed. Thirty, even ten, years ago such heavy crews were never dreamed of. Today thirty-six is regarded as high, where once a steady clip of forty-five to the minute did not occasion special comment.

Of the two Oxford is a shade the heavier and will average 12 stone 9 pounds, or 177 pounds in the Canadian equivalent. Cambridge's weight is 12



The Nimrod, the steamer in which Lieut. Shackleton went from New Zealand to seek the South Pole

by the stars of the New England states and eastern Canada.

Will the new Victoria tennis courts be completed in time for the next annual tournament? It was proposed to have them ready by that date. However it is learned that, although the site has been procured in the vicinity of the Jubilee hospital, nothing yet has been done towards improving the area. That being the case doubt is expressed among the local players as to whether the plans can be carried into effect. Frankly, it is not generally thought that the club will be able to move from the Belcher street quarters this year.

INTERNATIONAL GAME

Victoria and Seattle Ladies' Hockey Teams May Have Argument

The Victoria and Seattle Ladies' hockey teams may meet in the near future. An effort is being made by the local club to arrange such a match. They have captured the British Columbia championship and now want to assert their superiority over the whole of the Pacific northwest. And they are confident that it can be done. The date of this game has not been fixed; in fact it is not altogether assured that the Seattle girls will be able to meet the wishes of the Victorians.

A \$25 cup has been offered for competition between the provincial ladies' clubs. It will be hung up next season. Hitherto they have been playing for honor alone. After this, however, there will be something substantial to represent the title.

University Crews.

Two weeks from Saturday afternoon, on the Thames river, from Putney to Mortlake, will be rowed the annual Oxford-Cambridge boat race—the world's greatest classic in the broad realm of intervarsity sport. This race, which has been rowed with but few interruptions since 1829, enjoys the unique distinction of being the oldest fixture in amateur athletics, and it is to the rowing world what the Grand Prix is to the running turf. The preparation by the Oxford and Cambridge

1-2 stone, or two pounds lighter to a man. The Oxford president is the heaviest man in his boat and weighs 192 pounds, while one of the Cambridge oarsmen goes over him four pounds heavier. These men row No. 7 and No. 6 positions respectively.

LADYSMITH vs. VICTORIA

Island Soccer Teams Play League Game Saturday at Oak Bay

The Ladysmith and Victoria United senior soccer teams will play an Island league match at Oak Bay on Saturday.

It is stated that the local eleven will present a stronger front than heretofore. They have been training and are in fine fettle. In Ladysmith they will have worthy opponents. Therefore it is expected that an admirable exhibition will result.

Play will begin promptly at 3 o'clock. The officials will be announced later.

Application Submitted.

Application has been made by the Victoria Athletic club for affiliation with the local branch of the B.C.A.A.U. It will be considered at the next meeting which takes place early next month.

The Y.M.C.A. basketball team is training for their match with Vancouver at Seattle. It's the last game of the season and the Victorians are going to capture the international championship if it is within their power.

The Russian Avenger

St. Petersburg, March 10.—Black-mailing by Terrorists and others has reached such proportions in Maku that the authorities have decided to erect an enormous gallows in a square in the city. Each blackmailer will be summarily tried and publicly hanged. It is expected that the government here will disapprove of such extreme measures.

B. F. Bond has discovered in the San Jacinto mountains an ancient town containing 1,000 houses.

WILY SPORTSMEN TRY TO OUTWIT B.C.A.A.U.

Scheme to Make Amateurs of Professionals and Stage Boxing Contests

"For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain—" is a line that is running through the heads of Dan O'Sullivan, A. J. Brace, and other officials of the local branch of the B. C. A. A. U. But it isn't the "heathen chinee" they have in mind. It is the wiles of a number of sportsmen.

Of late there has been evinced a pronounced desire on the part of the public to witness first-class boxing exhibitions. To stage these permits are necessary, and they only can be obtained through the police commissioners. The latter allowed the game to go on unmolested—for a time. Recently, as a result of an influential deputation protesting against what they alleged were prize fights under the guise of boxing matches, the line has been drawn. Now the commissioners tell sportsmen they can't give these entertainments unless they are legally organized and unless there is a doubt that they are "amateur" in every sense of the term.

Hence the continuance of boxing in Victoria depends on whether the contests proposed are sanctioned by the local branch of the B.C.A.A.U. Now this body was organized but a couple of months ago. The established policy they were issued a special dispensation from the central British Columbia association to give any bona fide applicant an amateur card. This was done to allow them to whitewash all who wanted to submit to the process; in other words, to cleanse and register them as spotless amateurs. The purpose was to make sport wholesome on Vancouver Island. It seemed and, unquestionably was, a laudable move. But the busy brains of the boxing contest promoters discovered a loop-hole so glaring that they were astonished at their stupidity in not "catching on" before. And therein is found the cause for the trouble confronting Messrs. O'Sullivan and Brace and what brought to their minds in reference to some sportsmen Bret Harte's famous line—"for ways that are dark—"

Way Out of Dark

"The police commissioners say we can't arrange matches as we have done. Very well, we'll make all the boxers amateur. Our request can't be refused by the Victoria branch of the B.C.A.A.U. and, after obtaining the latter's sanction, the authorities can hardly turn us down."

Thus reasoned the aforementioned boxing promoters.

Then, to the astonishment of Messrs. O'Sullivan and Brace, they found themselves inundated with applications for amateur tickets from all sources. Never was witnessed such a spontaneous desire, on the part of those who had been the most rabid pros, to bury their sin-stained past and to don the pure white raiment of the amateur.

It was superlatively remarkable. Messrs. O'Sullivan and Brace at first marvelled. Later on they began to think and slowly an inkling of the truth dawned on them. They frowned and hastily began to figure out some method to prevent the professionals making such an illegitimate use of their body.

The decision was reached that they would have to be thoroughly satisfied of the sincerity of an applicant before he was admitted to amateur ranks. It was thought, also, that it would be as well to draw the line somewhere and so it was tentatively decided that any who had appeared before the public as professionals since the beginning of the year would not be admitted. That, however, hasn't been passed by the full membership of the organization and it is probable that the matter will form the subject for a hot debate at the next meeting, which takes place on the evening of the first Friday next month.

Merrifield and Foley, it is understood, have applications before the B.C.A.A.U. for amateur standing. These will be considered.

Meanwhile the aforementioned officials have come to the conclusion to enforce the rules of the C.A.A.U. most stringently in respect to boxing and all other sports. They are not going to allow designing individuals to make monkeys of the institution which they represent in the manner outlined. That next gathering is going to be marked by some right merry passages.

AT HALF TIME

The California soccer team is expected to play the Victoria West eleven here on Easter Monday. That is the present arrangement. The V. W. A. A. offered a guarantee of \$100 to the southerners for a Good Friday game. They couldn't get it because their itinerary included an engagement for that date. That they will be in Victoria on the Monday is practically assured. Still there is just an element of doubt as, up to the present, no definite promise has been received from Will Ellis, of Vancouver, who is managing the American's tour of the northwest.

Talking about tennis, it is interesting to note that possibly Bobbie Powell, well-known among Victorians, will visit the coast this summer. He is in London, England, at present. Last season he distinguished himself in practically all the big Old Country tournaments. To see him in action on the courts of this city, against some player who could give him a hard run for victory, would be appreciated. All enthusiasts would welcome him back.

Victoria hold the cricket championship of the Pacific Coast. There is every prospect that a team will take the field this year capable of holding the cup. According to report there are going to be four or five local teams. In such an event a home league will be established.

Shrubh claims that he ran eleven miles recently and accomplished the first ten in 52.10. If this is so it certainly is a wonderful performance.

There's going to be something doing here this summer without a doubt. A thirty or sixty day horse meet will be, to say the least, a unique experience for Victoria. Then all other branches of sport promise to boom. And they say that all events will have plenty of patronage. A Seattle man prophesies that five or six thousand people will overflow here from the Sound all the time the Alaska-Yukon exposition is in progress.

Albert Cook, of Orilla, was killed on the N. P. R., 90 miles north of Neptun.

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Paris, March 23.—The Countess de la Pommerie, who is believed by many people to be the daughter of Napoleon III., was found dying in a miserable garret in Senlis this week. She had not been seen for some days, and when the neighbors forced their way into her room they found her calling feebly for help. She was lying on a heap of straw in the middle of the room, fighting as well as she could with rats for a crust of bread and a piece of cheese, which she clutched to her breast. Lying all about the floor of the room were bank-notes, bonds, and shares worth more than \$30,000. The rats had eaten away portions of the paper. The Countess has been taken to a home at Clermont, but there is little hope of her recovery.

Congregation's Narrow Escape

Perlin, March 23.—The congregation in a church at Mittitz, near Dresden, had a narrow escape from being suffocated by gas last Sunday.

After the congregation realized that quantities of gas were escaping they became panic-stricken and rushed to the doors. A number of persons were crushed, and the exits became blocked, thus delaying the escape of the others. All the members of the choir were overcome by gas and became unconscious. The organist and a considerable number of the congregation were also overcome. Ultimately one man had sufficient strength and presence of mind to smash a few windows. All the doctors in the town were busy relieving the sufferers.

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Shorts, per 100 lbs.....	1.40		
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Feed Wheat, per 100 lbs.....	2.00		
Oats, per 100 lbs.....	1.40		
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs.....	1.70		
Barley, per 100 lbs.....	1.40		
Crushed Barley, per 100 lbs.....	1.65		
Chop Feed, per 100 lbs.....	1.40		
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Fresh Island, per dozen.....	35		
Canadian, per lb.....	.20		
Neufchatel, each.....	.05		
Cream, local, each.....	.10		
Butter.....	.35		
Manitoba, per lb.....	.25 to .30		
Best Dairy.....	.45		
Victoria Creamery, per lb.....	.45		
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.....	.45		
Comox Creamery, per lb.....	.45		
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.....	.40		
Alberni Creamery, per lb.....	.40		
Vegetables.			
Rhubarb, hot house, per lb.....	.15		
Celery, per head.....	.15		
Lettuce, a head.....	.20		
Garlic, per lb.....	.20		
Onions, 8 lbs, for.....	.25		
Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs.....	.25		
Potatoes, per lb.....	1.50 to 1.75		
Potatoes, seed, per sack.....	2.50		
Cauliflower, each.....	.20		
Cabbage, new, per lb.....	.05		
Red Cabbage, per lb.....	.05		
Tomatoes, per lb.....	.10		
Green Peas, per lb.....	.03		
Beans, per lb.....	.03		
Beets, per lb.....	.05 to .15		
Carrots, per lb.....	.05		
Brussels Sprouts, per lb.....	.15		
Parsley, per bunch.....	.10		
Cucumbers, each.....	.10		
Radishes, per bunch.....	.05		
Asparagus, per lb.....	.25		
Fruit.			
Lemons, per dozen.....	.25		
Flgs, cooking, per lb.....	.08 to .10		
Apples, per lb.....	.10 to .15		
Apples, Oregon, per box.....	2.50 to 3.00		
Bananas, per dozen.....	.35		
Flgs, table, per lb.....	.15		
Raisins, yellow, per lb.....	.15		
Raisins, table, per lb.....	.25 to .30		
Pineapples, each.....	.35 to .50		
Grapes, Malaga, per lb.....	.25		
Guinea, Concord, per lb.....	.75		
Cranberries, Cape Cod, qt.....	.25		
Nuts.			
Walnuts, per lb.....	.30		
Brazils, per lb.....	.30		
Almonds, Jordan, per lb.....	.75		
Almonds, Cal, per lb.....	.25		
Cocoanuts, each.....	.30		
Pecans, per lb.....	.30		
Chestnuts, per lb.....	.25		
Fish.			
Cod, salted, per lb.....	.10 to .13		
Halibut, fresh, per lb.....	.08 to .10		
Halibut, smoked, per lb.....	.10 to .12		
Cod, fresh, per lb.....	.06 to .08		
Smoked Herring.....	.12 1/2		
Crabs, 2 for.....	.25		
Black Bass, per lb.....	.06 to .10		
Colchans, salt, per lb.....	.12 1/2		
Black Cod, salt, per lb.....	.12 1/2		
Flounders, fresh, per lb.....	.06 to .08		
Salmon, fresh, white, per lb.....	.08 to .10		
Salmon, fresh, red, per lb.....	.10 to .12		
Salmon, smoked, per lb.....	.20		
Shrimps, per lb.....	.25 to .30		
Smelts, per lb.....	.08 to .10		
Herring, kippered, per lb.....	.12 1/2		
Finnan Haddie, per lb.....	.10 to .12		
Meat and Poultry.			
Beef, per lb.....	.08 to .10		
Lamb, per lb.....	.15 to .20		
Mutton, per lb.....	.12 1/2 to .15		
Lamb, per quarter, fore.....	.25 to .30		
Lamb, per quarter, hind.....	.175 to .20		
Veal, dressed, per lb.....	.15 to .18		
Geese, dressed, per lb.....	.18 to .20		
Guinea Fowl, each.....	.25 to .30		
Chickens, per lb.....	.12 1/2		
Chickens, per lb, live weight.....	.12 1/2 to .15		
Ducks, dressed, per lb.....	.20 to .25		
Hens, per lb.....	.18 to .22		
Hares, dressed, per lb.....	.22 to .25		
Bacon, per lb.....	.22 to .25		
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B. C. Packers pfd.....	8	9 1/2	
B. C. Paper Mills.....	117	85	
B. C. Pulp and Paper.....	85	85	
B. C. Trust Corp.....	107	110	
Canadian Con. S. and R.....	70	70	
Canadian Northwest Oil.....	15	16 1/2	
Black Cat Mining.....	10	14	
Diamond Vale Coal.....	10	14	
Dom. Trust Co.....	90	100	
Gt. West Permanent.....	110	113	
Granby.....	88	93	
Selling, West. and Chien.....	92	92	
Nicola Valley Coal.....	67	69	
Northern Bank.....	88	93	
Rambler Caribou.....	14	16 1/2	
Royal Collieries.....	30	31	
Sullivan.....	30	31	
Vancouver Ice.....	120	120	
S. A. Scrip.....	775	3000	
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March 23.—Stocks—			
Stocks opened higher and in line to make advances all around the list. The announcement of the decision in the Interborough case caused decided weakness in the issues of that company, which spread through the entire list. Selling was persistent and prices of most stocks at the close were near the bottom. The market appears very sensitive and susceptible to news and will no doubt continue in this manner until something definite is known. Washington regarding the tariff revision. Meantime, many opinions will, no			
NIP IT IN THE BUD.			
First Appearance of Dandruff a Forerunner of Future Baldness.			
That such is the case has been conclusively proven by scientific research. Prof. Unna, the noted European skin specialist, declares that dandruff is the burrowing out of the scalp, caused by parasites destroying the vitality in the hair bulb. This hair becomes lifeless, and in time, falls out. This can be prevented.			
Newbro's Herpicide kills this dandruff germ, and restores the hair to its natural softness and abundance.			
Herpicide is now used by thousands of people—all satisfied that it is the most wonderful hair preparation on the market today.			
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IMMIGRATION LAWS HAVE BEEN MODIFIED

Immigrants Under Contract Are Now Allowed to Enter Australia

Melbourne, March 23.—Dr. Richard Arthur, president of the Immigration League of Australia, writes that he is constantly meeting with the statement that immigrants under contract are not allowed to land in Australia. There is a general belief that the legislation which led to the memorable episode of the six excluded hatters is still in force. This, says Dr. Arthur, is a mistake. Any person can bring out a laborer or workman under contract, provided that the terms are approved by the minister for external affairs of the Commonwealth. But the contract must not be made with a view of affecting an industrial dispute, and it must be proved that there is difficulty in obtaining workers of equal skill and ability. This latter condition does not, however, now apply where the contract immigrant is a British subject either born in the United Kingdom or descended from a British subject born there. Hence the restriction under which the six hatters were excluded has been removed, and employers of labor can if they choose introduce workers under contract from the United Kingdom without any fear of having them stopped at the Australian end.

"I trust and believe," says Dr. Arthur in conclusion, "that the time will soon come when all respectable and hardworking persons, whatever their calling, will be afforded the opportunity of practically free voyage to Australia, for we need our kith and kin here by the million to fill up and develop this great continent."

Employers of labor in New Zealand are somewhat concerned at the award which has been given by the special board of conciliation in the Auckland tramways dispute. It gives the strikers all the points they fought for except the dismissal of "blacklegs." The tramways company has been ordered to re-engage a dismissed conductor to give to every man dismissed in future a "valid reason" for dismissal, and to remove from direct contact with the men the traffic manager, to whose personality and methods the strikers objected. This finding, for which the chairman, who was selected by the government, is mainly responsible, is regarded by employers generally as constituting a new and astounding departure in the relations between capital and labor, and fears are expressed as to its effect on the industrial development of the Dominion.

LITTLE ACCOMPLISHED TO RELIEVE SUFFERING

Relief Committee in Messina Fail to Rise to the Emergency

Rome, March 23.—Lamentable conditions still prevail in the devastated districts of Messina and Reggio. Nearly three months have passed since the earthquake laid low the towns of Messina and Reggio and innumerable villages in Sicily and Calabria, leaving behind it a death roll which cannot yet be computed and a desolation unequalled in modern times. The appalling magnitude and suddenness of the catastrophe might well have stunned any country and excused many shortcomings in the work of relief, even though they also stirred the pity of the whole world and inspired eager offers of assistance from every quarter of the globe. But three months have now gone by, a period long enough to have relieved all immediate distress and to have made a good start in the work of reparation; and still but little has been actually effected in comparison with what might have been done. Every day brings tales of distress from villages into which help has not yet come, and which have not even been sufficiently helped, appeals from committees who cannot continue their much needed work of mercy for want of funds, and complaints from refugees unhoused still in Messina and Reggio.

The principal relief committee in Rome, composed of men of the highest character and integrity, has simply failed to rise to the level of the emergency with which it has been called upon to deal. The truth is that members of the committee appear to be overwhelmed by the very magnitude of their task.

The immediate necessity is for the conveyance of food and clothing to the localities, many of them comparatively inaccessible, in which they are urgently required, and for the erection of temporary shelters where buildings have been destroyed. The inaction of the Central Committee is the less excusable, as the various local and foreign relief committees appear to have shown their excellent examples, but so large a portion of the total sum contributed was sent to the central fund, and is still awaiting the decisions of those by whom it is controlled that many of these local committees are at the end of their resources, and are compelled to remain helpless spectators of misery which they no longer are able to alleviate.

Military Rule.

The military rule in Messina and Reggio has given place to civil government, not altogether with advantage. The erection of wooden houses proceeds only slowly, with indefinite delay. And until adequate shelter can be provided in the stricken regions there is no way of bringing back the scattered refugees to their own provinces. Until these fugitives return there is still terrible need of supporting them elsewhere, and little prospect of any permanent alleviation of their misery. On the other hand, it must be acknowledged that there are many difficulties, not fully appreciated, in the way of relief, which help to explain, though they do not altogether excuse, the shortcomings of the work of relief.

Of the total of the sums collected in Italy, and all over the world, for immediate and unofficial relief, no exact amount can be given. The Vatican fund has reached over \$300,000; the Lombard and Piedmontese funds have possibly reached some \$750,000. The American and English funds were for the most part paid into that of the Central Committee or National fund, over and above the money thus paid,

they have realized some \$2,000,000, chiefly American, and expended in stores and portable houses; the National Fund, at the disposal of the Central Committee, stands at \$4,500,000, of which the American contribution must have amounted to about \$2,500,000. In addition there is the society for the protection of the orphans, which has received from various sources \$200,000, and other less important charitable enterprises. The Vatican fund has been spent through the agency of the church with great discretion and very impartial liberality, some proportion of it being reserved for the restoration of ruined churches in poor parishes. The Piedmontese and Lombard committees have administered their funds admirably, with much practical common sense. Of the British and American organizations a full account has been given. The administration of all these funds deserves nothing but praise.

The same, however, cannot be said for the administration of the Central Fund, which represents the great bulk of the money subscribed both in Italy and abroad. An excellent committee was selected for its distribution, but from the first this committee seem to have entirely misconceived the part they were asked to play. The money was for immediate relief and to prevent unnecessary suffering; they have chosen to regard it as a sacred trust for the future as well as the present needs of the victims. Two months after the disaster they had spent only a tenth of the sum in their keeping. In the way of immediate relief they doled out totally insufficient sums.

Behind Reggio and Messina, stretching far away on either coast, lies a once populous region, now a waste surrounding some 50 ruined towns and countless villages whose wretched inhabitants are, many of them, still naked and starving.

NOTED RUSSIAN DEAD

Prince Michael Hilko, Who Made Good Record as Minister of Communication

St. Petersburg, March 23.—Prince Michael Hilko, member of the council of the empire and formerly minister of communications, died suddenly today.

To Prince Hilko belongs the credit of getting the maximum amount of work out of the Siberian railway during the war in Manchuria.

Prince Hilko, who belonged to an old but comparatively poor family, emigrated to the United States when a young man, renouncing the title to which he was subsequently restored. In the United States he worked at a belt machine at a wage of \$8.50 per week. He was employed later in many minor capacities on American railroads, beginning as an assistant checker.

Telephone System in Japan.

Tokio, Feb. 23.—Great inconvenience has been caused in Japan by the delay in extending the telephone system. It is stated that some people who applied for telephones in 1900 are still waiting to be supplied, and that anyone possessing a telephone of which his is willing to dispose can get \$250 for it. A sum of \$1,500,000 was appropriated in the post-bellum program for the extension of the service, but as the money would have to be raised by loan, the work has had to be suspended. In these circumstances the Department of Communications is said to have determined to invite tenders for telephones, and to apply the money thus obtained to extending the system.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.

HOPPER—In this city on the 23rd inst., Elizabeth Jane Hopper, beloved wife of John Thomas Hopper, aged 54 years. A native of Pennsylvania, U. S. A.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, the 25th, from the family residence, Hulton street, at 2:30 p. m., and 2:45 at Columbia church, Hulton street.

Friends please accept this intimation. Interment in Ross Bay cemetery.

PORTER—In this city on the 22nd inst., at St. Joseph's hospital, Alice Maud Porter, relict of the late James T. Porter, aged 83 years.

SMITH—At the family residence, Green street, this city, on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Margaret, the beloved wife of James Smith, in her 69th year. A native of Donegal, Ireland.

Funeral Friday afternoon, leaving the house at 2:30.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

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FOR RENT—A nicely furnished ten-roomed house; hot water furnace; stone basement; situated 1515 Quadra street; immediate possession; rent \$50. Apply 2015 Quadra street, room number. Phone B-1798. m24

CARRIAGES AND HACKS—Careful drivers; prompt service; open day and night. Victoria Transfer Co. Phone 129. f13

FOR SALE—Three goats. A. J. Bartlett, Shoal Bay. m24

FOR SALE—Five dozen good laying chickens, \$9.00 per dozen. Apply F. North, Sidney, B. C. m24

DRESSMAKING—The Misses Roberts, 29 Menzies St. Phone A-1277. m24

A BARGAIN—Farm, 5 acres, all good land, good 8-roomed house, good outbuildings, young orchard, close to city; only \$3,900. Four lots 60x120 each; snap, \$900. A. Williams & Co., 704 Yates St. m24

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TO RENT—Comfortable furnished rooms, every convenience; use of kitchen if desired; quiet, pleasant home; five minutes walk from post-office; 1017 Burdette Ave. Phone A-1400. m24

FOR SALE—Lunch wagon, situated on Government St. Apply Bailey & Blomquist, corner Fort and Blanchard. m24

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For Today a Big Sale of Costumes

Women's New Neckwear

DUTCH COLLARS, white lawn, prettily embroidered 40¢
 WOMEN'S FANCY LACE STOCKS, with lawn and Valenciennes ruche 35¢
 WOMEN'S PIQUE STOCK COLLARS, with eyelet embroidery and net tab ends 75¢
 WOMEN'S EMBROIDERED LAWN STOCK COLLARS, with lawn ruche 75¢
 WOMEN'S LAWN STOCK COLLARS, with lace insertion and colored spot embroidery. Price \$1.00
 WOMEN'S JABOTS, in white lawn, with new shape collar, trimmed Valenciennes lace and edgings, \$1.00, \$1.25 and . . . \$1.50
 LACE COLLARS, in good quality Baby Irish lace, in white only. Price 50¢
 WOMEN'S FANCY BRAID TIES, with gilt ring and tassel ends 50¢
 KNITTED MUFFLERS, with patent fastener, fits close up on neck, in white and brown . . . 50¢
 KNITTED MOTOR SCARFS, in black and sky, 2 yards long 50¢

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New Hand Bags in large assortment of styles, shapes and colors, and qualities to suit all purses.

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Women's New Gloves

WOMEN'S SUEDE GLOVES, in all the new shades, tans, greys, beavers, white and black, "Trefousse" make, two clasp. Per pair \$1.50

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Costume made of navy striped serges. Coat semi-fitted, 36 inches long, the back trimmed with satin covered buttons and braid, roll collar, plain sleeves, finished with buttons and braid, lined throughout with silk. Skirt plain, with satin covered buttons on each side of front panel. Actual value \$30.00.

Today's price— **\$19.75**

\$35.00 Costume for \$19.75

Costume made of navy blue serge, in a wide heringbone pattern. Coat 36 inches long and semi-fitted, roll collar, plain sleeve without cuffs, lined throughout with silk. Skirt plain Directoire style with row of covered buttons down front. Actual value \$35.00.

Today's price— **\$19.75**

\$25.00 Costume for \$19.75

Costume made of grey panama. Coat semi-fitted, back finished with buttons, roll collar and cuffs and patch pockets finished with buttons. Skirt plain, trimmed with straps of self. Actual value \$25.00.

Today's price— **\$19.75**

\$30.00 Costume for \$19.75

Costume made of grey tweed. Coat 36 inches long, semi-fitted, roll collar and cuffs, patch pockets trimmed with buttons. Plain skirt, finished with straps of self and rows of buttons on each side running from the waist line to the bottom. Actual value \$30.00.

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GIRLS' DRESSES, made of fine zephyr, in self colors, sky, blue and pink. The waists are box-pleated with pointed yoke of Swiss insertion, 3/4 sleeves, with wrist band of insertion, nice full pleated skirt, finished with deep hem. Sizes 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. Price \$2.75

GIRLS' DRESSES, made of fine zephyrs, in light green and light blue grounds, with colored stripes, turnover collar and cuffs of self color, trimmed with white. Sizes 8, 10, 12 and 16 years. Price \$2.75

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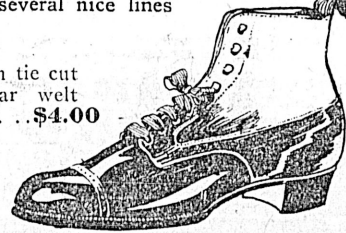
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